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YEN WANTS TO QUIT

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has requested General Pai Chung-hsi to assume the Premiership of Nationalist China and also the post of Defence Minister, the "China Mail" learned from arrivals from Taiwan last night.

Burma To Recognise Peking

Calcutta, December 16. Burma has decided to recognise Communist China, the Burmese Foreign Minister, U. S. Maung said here today.

The Minister said that an official announcement was expected from Rangoon tomorrow.—Reuters.

Report Of PI Alliance With KMT Denied

Manila, December 16. A Malayan Palace spokesman today flatly denied that the Philippines was entering into a military alliance with the Chinese Nationalists as indicated in a Taiwan despatch.

The spokesman acknowledged that the Chinese Ambassador, Chen Chi-ping, conferred with President Quirino recently but said they did not talk about a military alliance.

He pointed out that Philippine-military forces were small and used primarily to preserve internal order. He emphasised that this government was not anxious to antagonise the Chinese Communists.

The Under Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Felino Neri, said that reports of a military alliance being planned between the Chinese Nationalist government and the Philippines are "fantastic."

Refuge For Gov't

An authoritative source said President Quirino's Council of State yesterday discussed the matter of giving the Nationalist government refuge if it was forced to flee Taiwan and decided that the Philippines should disgorge the establishment of a refugee government in this country in order to avoid involving the Philippines in the China conflict.

Another government official said "Our armed forces cannot even handle Moros on Jolo let alone fight the Chinese Reds."

Meanwhile a Chinese Nationalist transport plane which landed at Clark Air Base yesterday was still grounded there by the United States Air Force while American and Filipino diplomatic officials cide how to handle the case.

The plane, en route from Hanoi to Formosa, with 36 persons aboard, landed at Clark Field without getting advance permission. The crew said the plane got lost.—United Press.

The Weather

At 0600 GMT (5 p.m. HKT) a belt of high pressure extends from SE of Japan to the lower Yunnan. A trough of low pressure is moving SE across NE China and the Gulf of Pechili.

Today's Forecast: Light or moderate NE wind. "Cloudy, occasional" drizzle.

Yesterday's Weather:

Maximum: 64.0 deg. Fah.

Minimum: 55.6 deg. Fah.

Buahiness: 0.7 hours.

Rainfall: Trace. Total since Jan. 1—

2094.8 mm.—88.81 in., an average of 2112.5 mm.—83.78 in.

Readings at:

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Equil. 1012.0 100.0 mb.

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Personalities

Mr. C. R. Holmes will read "The Christmas Carol", a dramatic monologue, abridged by Charles Dickens, at the Hong Kong Rotary Club's weekly luncheon on Tuesday. The Club will meet at 12:30 p.m. at the Royal Garden, Hong Kong Hotel.

Miss A. Von Schevelow, Miss B. L. Brooks, Mrs. D. Godden, A. Akogg, S. D. Christy and C. H. Wu, were among those who left the Peninsula Hotel on Thursday.

Among the new arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Thursday were Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Zindel, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. L. Munro, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Conner, Mrs. C. Taylor, Messrs. H. R. Hoch, A. G. Mark, B. J. Martin, A. P. Raynor, W. B. Hong, Walter Kelly, R. Marlow, E. L. Becker, A. Fredberg, F. W. O'Brien, R. A. Ellery, H. W. Britton and Yu-shan.

Departures for the United Kingdom yesterday by BOAC included Mrs. D. V. Williams, Miss A. D. Varley, Mr. and Mrs. W. Campbell, Mrs. N. M. Nel, Captain C. W. Ellis, Messrs. T. B. McAulay, G. Greig and D. Walsh and Colonel E. F. Benjamin.

Dr. Viscount F. Bonnet, Messrs. E. Müller and S. Fukui left for Hongkong yesterday by BOAC.

Nationalists Commandeer HK Vessel

Nationalist officials have commandeered and pressed a Hong Kong-licensed motor vessel into service between small islands off Taiwan, the "China Mail" learned yesterday.

The vessel, Tak On, was formerly reported to have sunk en route to Swatow from Hong Kong on November 15, with the loss of 27 lives.

However, the Tak On's officers has communicated with his wife in Hong Kong, and informed her that he and all the members of the Tak On's crew are alive and safe.

Agents for the Tak On, the Hon. on Fisheries Company, said yesterday that a bin unconfirmed report that the vessel had been seized by Nationalist officials, and that Nationalist officers are in command of the vessel.

If the reports are confirmed, the Tak On will be the second Hong Kong-licensed vessel to have been commandeered by Nationalist authorities during the past month.

On November 15, Nationalist officials boarded the ss, Tai Pang in Deep Bay, but released the vessel on November 19.

The Tai Pang is a forty boat which runs between Hong Kong and Shih Hau, in Deep Bay.

When the Tak On left Hong Kong for Swatow on November 12, she was carrying 13 passengers for Swatow, and 12 members of the crew.

A Marine Department official said yesterday that they were investigating the reported seizure, but had not yet been able to confirm the report.

Chinese Woman Charged With Inciting Assault

June Young, aged 25, alias Young Pul-san of 6, Morton Terrace, was charged at Central yesterday before Mr. A. D. Scholz with inciting two unemployed men to assault Lo Bun.

Defendant was also charged, together with Ling Chui and Wong Cheung, with conspiracy to assault Lo between November 21 and December 9.

Inspector J. Forrest appeared for the prosecution and Mr. A. J. Clifford is for Miss Young.

Mr. Scholz fixed Thursday June 20 at 11:30 a.m. for hearing of the case.

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The Royal Observatory's meteorological balloon is pictured just before it was released yesterday morning. The balloon is six feet in diameter and travels at the rate of 1,000 feet per minute. Mr. N. Lawrence, Scientific Officer, Royal Observatory, is seen with two assistants. ("China Mail" Photo).

Weatherman's Balloon Costs \$160 A Day

Shortly before 9 a.m. every day, a huge hydrogen-filled balloon is let off from the Royal Observatory in Kowloon.

And if the nearby neighbours could spare two minutes between their morning coffee and catching the ferry, they would see the balloon ascend, dragging what would seem to them to be a tiny tin can reflecting in the sun.

This "tin can" cost more than \$110 and the Royal Observatory spends this amount on the object each day. It is the Hong Kong weatherman's new way of taking daily meteorological readings.

For the highly scientific and accurate work it does, the met apparatus is comparatively light and simple. It weighs no more than 1,250 grammes and contains three little lead cannisters holding three elements to measure humidity, temperature and pressure of the atmosphere. The apparatus has a small battery in its centre which is worked by a windmill switch, setting the three elements into operation.

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The total material cost of sending up one balloon, Mr. Lawrence said, is approximately \$160. The Royal Observatory sends up one balloon a day. In England, a balloon is sent up every six hours. "This, of course," said Mr. Lawrence, "ensures more accurate forecasts. But at the moment the Royal Observatory cannot afford more than one ascent."

The Radio Sonde Station of the Royal Observatory, of which Mr. Lawrence is in charge, operates from the Royal Observatory in Kowloon. A station building is now being built at the Kowloon Reservoir where Mr. Lawrence and his staff will conduct their meteorological work in the future.

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A wrist watch, a finger ring and some cash valued at more than \$200 was taken from the occupants of 480, Lockhart Road, third floor, Wan Chai, by four men who entered the house about 4 p.m. yesterday. One of the men carried a revolver.

The Guardians Teachers Association of the Ellis Kadoorie School (Sookunpoo) held their first general meeting yesterday.

Among the officers elected were Mr. Li Ching-ming, President; Mr. J. Ackbar, Vice-President; Mr. F. M. el Aroussi, Honorary Secretary; Mr. Liu Hoi-chuen, Honorary Treasurer.

The Association has been formed with the aim of maintaining closer relations between guardians, teachers, and the homes.

It may be presumed that the segregation order, and the trifid advertisements are a publicity stunt on the part of the management, purely for monetary gain.

If this is the case, in future publicity of this nature should be made illegal, as the harm done is so great as to undo all previous efforts to enlighten the ignorant on the facts of life.

Films of this nature are not intended to be "log" shows and should be treated with respect not mockery.

Yours truly,

B.W.D.H.

**Letters To Army
Personnel**

Sir—Several complaints have been received recently to the effect that civilians are experiencing difficulty in contacting Army personnel through post.

On investigation it has been found that some letters received by the post authorities have been insufficiently addressed, failing to give the name and rank of the addressee.

I would be grateful if members of the public could be informed through the medium of your newspaper that mail to Army personnel should be addressed in the following manner:

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REFORM CLUB PLATFORM APPROVED BY MEMBERS



The 13-point platform of the Reform Club of Hong Kong, subject to the amendments approved on Wednesday and another amendment approved yesterday, was unanimously passed by members at their general meeting last night at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden.

The amendment passed by the meeting yesterday was the one put forward by Mr. Harold Bruce that there should be consideration of other methods of direct taxation including in particular a stamp fee on yearly identity cards and/or a graded tax on immigration.

The amendment was to replace a proposal for a head tax, which was thought to be disagreeable to the majority of the populace.

Mr. Marcus da Silva, who seconded the amendment, said the fee on identity cards would create in the minds of the holders of these cards a sense of civic responsibility. It was also an equitable levy. In that at present only 50,000 to 80,000 of the population were paying direct taxation, a fact which in itself was already inequitable.

On the proposal to levy a fee on entry into the Colony, Mr. Silva said that was nothing new as such a levy was already being made on a graduated scale.

The number of people entering Hong Kong, according to figures he had obtained from reliable sources, was 7,000 to 8,000 a day, said Mr. Silva. A large revenue could therefore be raised from this source.

There two sources of revenue could bring in more than enough to finance the reforms proposed in the Club's platform, with surplus over and above, without the necessity to resort to an increase in the income tax, said Mr. Silva.

When Mr. Ma Man-fai rose to debate an amendment by the plaintiff for an injunction from the amendment, he was told by the Chairman, Mr. B. A. Bernacchi, that the proposal was only for consideration and might not be advocated at it was found to be impracticable.

Mr. Ma, explaining the reason for the amendment, said any scheme to collect such an immigration tax was impracticable. It had been found to be impracticable before the war and it had been found to be impracticable by the Japanese during the occupation, despite the death penalty.

There was very little likelihood of its success after the war. The Colony had been changed with being impracticable in many matters, and he thought that experiment should be avoided.

Plaintiff, Ng Hoe-shue, Ng Hoe-tung, was represented by Mr. A. Y. Hon. Chin Tsang-ling, defendant, was defended by Mr. Y. H. Chan.

Plaintiff claimed to be entitled to possession of part of the third floor of 27, Wan Chai Road, Kowloon, on the ground that he was a principal tenant entitled to the third floor to one Chan Fong-sam as co-tenant. The relationship having been ended, the present occupiers were trespassers.

Defendant claimed he was a sub-tenant of the premises, having been given a sub-tenancy by the caretaker who was legally entitled to grant one who alternatively claimed the sub-tenancy was granted by the caretaker as authorized agent of the plaintiff.

Mr. Gould said that the evidence for the defendant on the whole seemed definitely prima facie, but that he, the plaintiff, had no seconded, and it was so defected.

The platform, as amended, was then put to the meeting by Mr. Bernacchi, and was unanimously carried.

This ended the business of the meeting, and Mr. Bernacchi, addressing those present, said:

Third Phases

"You have by your votes tonight and previously endorsed the essential features of this platform that your Committee presented to you.

"Whilst as chairman of this meeting, when the substantive motion against this platform was before you, I did not feel it my duty to comment, I now certainly feel at liberty to say that I viewed with horror the delay and uncertainty that would have been caused had this platform been rejected and sent back for further consideration.

Today

Kowloon Gramophone Society concert at Diocesan Boys' School, 8.15 p.m.

Chinese products, Seventh Annual Exhibition, on site opposite Peninsula Hotel.

Y.W.C.A. Club Xmas Party, for children at Lawrence B. Club at Sun Kwong School, 2.30 p.m.

Chinese Xmas Party at YMCA, Des Voeux Road, 3 p.m. and at Pao Hu Chia Street, Kowloon, 5 p.m.

H.K. Chinese R.S.A. Association Annual Ball on the 20th Dec. at the Kowloon Hotel, 23 Nathan Road, 7.30 p.m.

Ke Liuk Cricket Club's Special Xmas Dance, Extra Room, Meeting House, Valley Road, 7 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

The H. C. at Queen's Rd., 10. May-donnel-Hoad, 6.15 p.m.

H.K. Art Club's Rehearsal party, intended to assemble at Queen's Rd., 10.50 a.m.

H.K. David's Association Grand Concert, at the Kowloon Hotel, 11.30 p.m.

For open YMCA Annual Group talk on "Days and Myths" by Miss J. Stuart, 8.30 p.m. Nine Dragons Service Club, Tsimshau Tsui, 10.30 p.m.

MONDAY

H.K. Women's International Club Special Xmas Dance, organized by ticket sales, from 7.30 p.m. to 10.30 p.m.

Tenancy Case Dismissed

At the Supreme Court yesterday the Presiding Judge, Mr. Justice T. J. Gould, dismissed an action for possession of certain premises with costs, when he found that, contrary to plaintiff's allegations, the premises were let to the defendant by its caretaker with the knowledge and consent of the plaintiff.

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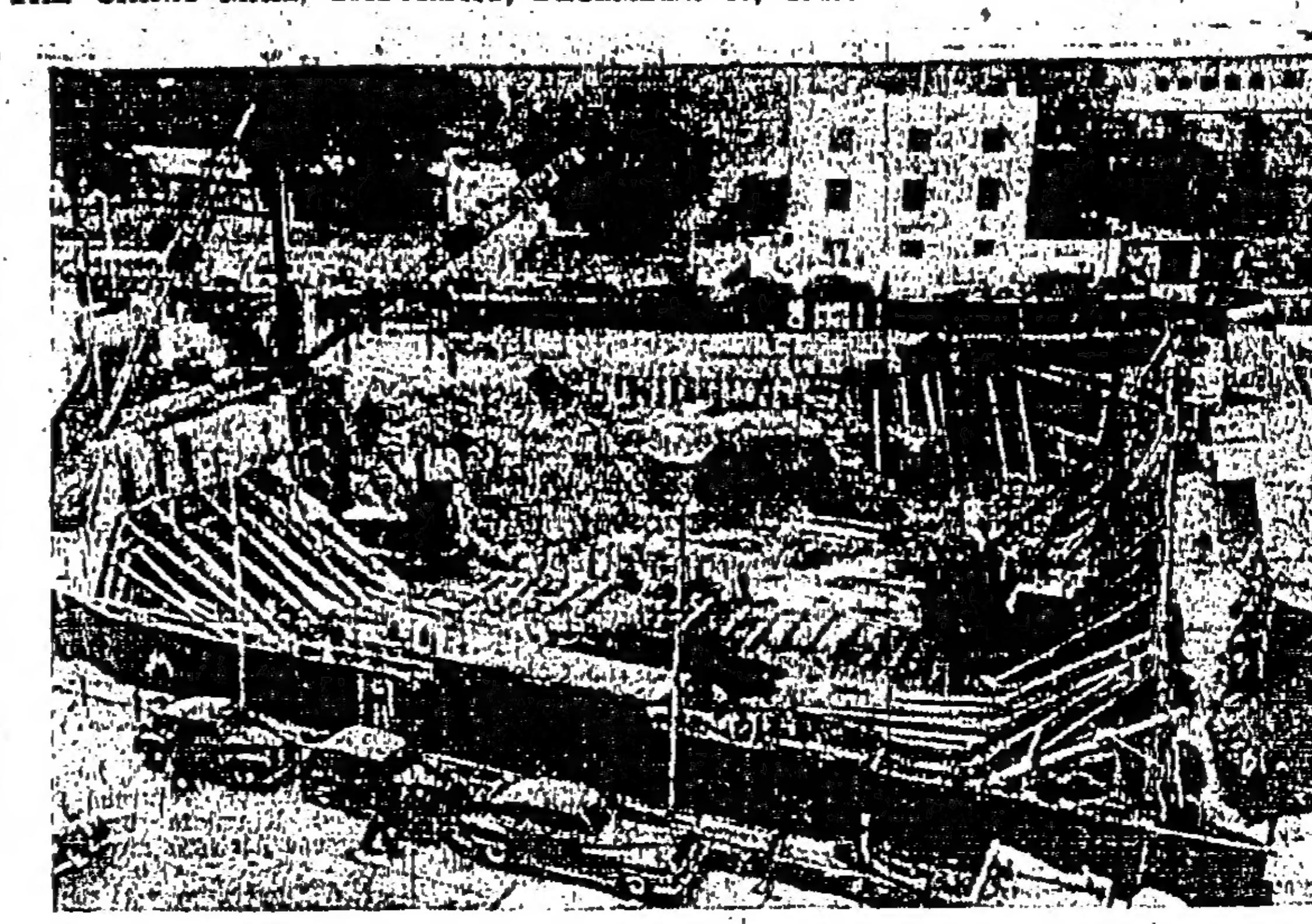
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Court Brevities

A fine of \$25 was imposed on Wong Wing, unemployed, by Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday on a charge of trespassing on the platform of the Kowloon-Canton Railway Station.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

A Children's Christmas Party will be given at the Little Flower Club, King's Park, on Sunday afternoon.



Excavation work in progress on the site of the new Bank of China building, next to the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank. — ("China Mail" photo).

Political Situation Delays Construction Of New Bank Bldg.

The state of flux in Chinese politics has had a delaying effect on the construction of the new Bank of China building on Des Voeux Road, the "China Mail" learned yesterday. Decision to construct a new edifice for China's leading banking institution was taken two years ago before disaster overtook the Nationalists.

They have been wary of proceeding in the face of the possibility of their not being here to witness the building's completion.

But construction is going on the "China Mail" learned, as both the architects and the contractors are believed to be guided by the impression that the Bank of China will still be the Bank of China despite an overhaul of the Chinese regime.

Plans have now been finalised for the building after a period of lengthy negotiation when the architects and the Bank's management could not agree on the size of the edifice. Original plans called for an ambitious project towering over the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, long the Colony's leading landmark.

Construction has been particularly difficult because of the immense quantity of water flowing from the hills which tower over the site.

The foundation is more than 32 feet deep and will provide two basements, one of which will be used as a car park.

When completed, the Bank of China will move from its present site on Queen's Road. Some floors of the new building have been allotted to the Government for office space.

Sentence Reviewed

Finally, after lengthy discussion, an agreement was reached that the new building would be 24 feet higher than the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, which would make it the Colony's leading skyscraper.

The "China Mail" learned yesterday that the building will be ready for occupation in the middle of 1952. It will be the most modern office building in the Far East, and the last word in symmetrical construction taking into account the smallness of the space involved.

The Bank paid over \$3,000,000 for the land, in the Colony's re-

in, this Colony's history. I call upon the Reform Club, its members, present and future, not only to talk about political reform but to see that this platform we have adopted tonight becomes the platform of the Government of Hong Kong.

The attendance last night was even smaller than at the two previous meetings with less than 20 people present.

Junk-Master Fined On Arms Charge

A \$10,000 fine or 12 months imprisonment was imposed on a junk-master, Ng Ying-chin, by Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at Kowloon yesterday after defendant had been found guilty on a charge of possession of arms without licence.

The seizure by the police at the Yaumati Typhoon Shelter on December 2 was of such a magnitude that Mr. d'Almeida referred to it as "a small arsenal" when passing sentence on Ng, who was legally represented by Mr. J. M. d'Almeida Remedios.

Defective Sub-Inspector W. H. Summers, prosecuting, said that in information, the Police went to Yaumati on the night of December 2. The junk was boarded and two rifles and 200 rounds of ammunition found.

Ng was not present. The only people on the junk were three Chinese women. When Ng was finally traced and returned to the junk, he asked the women where the arms were, and was told that they (the women) had dumped them overboard before the Police arrived.

However, the Bank's management subsequently changed its mind so drastically that the architects were told to proceed on the basis of a three-storey building only. This alternative, the architects refused to accept, and negotiations were undertaken. The Bank then consented to a five-storey building, which the architects also refused to consider.

Plaing in mitigation, Mr. Remedios submitted that Ng had been forced to bring the arms from Tolshan. The junk, counsel continued, was carrying rice when the Magistrate and soldiers in Chinese territory commanded the junk. The soldiers placed the arms aboard and ordered the vessel into Hong Kong.

Arriving at Cheung Chau Island, the soldiers, it was claimed, left and returned five days later, placed the arms on board and ordered the junk to sail into Kowloon.

Mr. Remedios ended his plea by saying that his client had allowed fear to over-ride his duty of reporting the matter to the Police.

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THE CHINA MAIL, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1949.

HK Delegation To ILO Conference

Hong Kong is sending a tri-partite delegation to the second Asian Regional Conference of the International Labour Organisation in Ceylon next month.

Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins, Commissioner of Labour, said at a Press conference yesterday that the delegation will comprise representatives of Government, employers and labour, each of whom will speak for itself.

Mr. Hawkins explained that he had a meeting with 111 trade unions in the Colony on the matter. Each union had more than 250 members registered in it.

The ILO, the speaker stated, was formed in 1919 and resulted from the League of Nations. The ILO itself has conducted approximately 32 conferences.

As for its Asian Regional Conference, the present one to be held in Ceylon will be the second. The first was held at Calcutta in 1947. At that meeting, Hong Kong did not send a delegation although it sent an officer as an observer.

It was later decided however, that the Colony should send a full delegation to the next conference.

Expenses Paid

Disclosing that the delegation was to be on a tripartite basis, Mr. Hawkins said that though the men would all go together as a delegation, each party representing Government, employers, and labour, would be on its own at the conference.

The Commissioner of Labour stated that he had already asked the 111 trade unions to nominate the labour delegates themselves. The actual appointment of the delegates would be made by Government.

The conference in Ceylon takes place on January 10 next year, and will last to January 24.

He had asked the labour leaders to make the necessary nominations by Tuesday next, Mr. Hawkins added. The expenses for the trip will be paid by Government. Each delegation will be provided with a free return air passage and will have their hotel bills in Ceylon paid. In addition, each man will be given \$8 a day as allowance.

The Agenda

Replying to a question, Mr. Hawkins revealed that most probably Major Chirayu, Labour Officer, will head the party representing Government, though he was not sure of this as yet.

Asked about the agenda at the Asia Regional Conference, Mr. Hawkins said that as far as he could ascertain off-hand, the agenda contained a discussion of the report of the Director-General of the ILO, an item regarding the inspection of factories in Eastern countries, welfare measures for workers, an item in connection with co-operative movements of the ILO, and matters on agricultural labour.

The Commissioner added that two appointed advisors might accompany the delegation, but these would have to pay their own passage.

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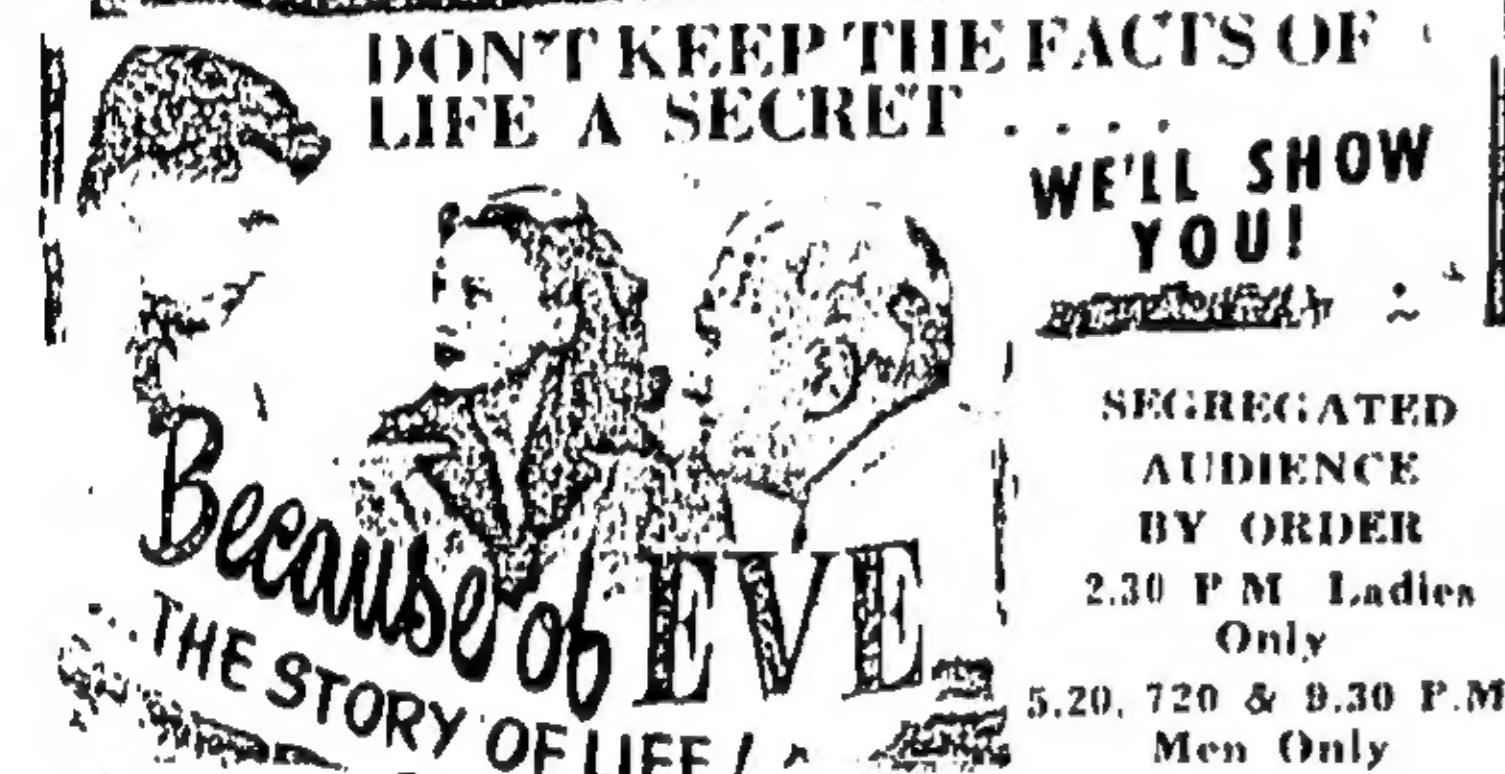
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Bonn, December 15. Under the Marshall Aid bilateral pact signed between Western Germany and America here today, five per cent of ECA counterpart funds will be made available to the U.S. Government for administrative expenses in Germany, including the stockpiling of critical materials. The balance of the account will be used to promote the economic recovery and financial stability of Germany and for projects to be agreed upon between the two countries.

Under the agreement aid will be made available to Western Berlin by the West German Government.

West Germany will at intervals furnish complete reports of programmes proposed or adopted, full statements of operations under the agreement, and information which the United States may need to determine the effects of American aid and evaluate progress towards economic recovery both in Germany and in other Marshall Plan countries.

The strike had been expected to vote on the plan last night but postponed a decision to give more speakers a chance. The Treasury and Finance Ministry opposed the plan.

Postal services stopped completely and almost all social services were affected. Public transport ran normally.

Government circles think that the poor response to the strike call means that the workers had noticed a certain Senate sympathy to the demand of civil

servants and did not want to prejudice their chances of more pay by an all-paralyzing strike.

In Rome about 6,000 strikers met at the Coliseum to hear speakers call on the Government to grant these more than justified claims by admittedly underpaid workers.

The strike was called after a break-down of wage talks between the Government and the unions.—Reuter.

**UN Decision Due
To Vatican, Say
Left-Wing Papers**

London, December 15. Left-wing British weekly reviews today attributed the United Nations decision to place Jerusalem under international control to the influence of the Vatican.

The weekly "New Statesman" said that the only sufficient explanation of Latin American, Australian, French, and Belgian support for international control was the Vatican view that no true Catholic could permit that sovereignty in Jerusalem should be shared by Jews.

The Soviet Union had supported it to create the maximum trouble because it was now clear that Israel Socialism was staunchly anti-Communist.

The "New Statesman" added, "The task of clearing up the mess may be left to the traditional method of power politics".

It was confident that a peace treaty and possibly even a treaty of alliance could be negotiated between the Israeli and Jordan on the basis of existing frontiers with minor modifications in Jerusalem itself.

But Britain and America lacked a policy and the situation stagnated with only Russian policy standing to gain.

The Left-wing "Tribune" commented similarly and suggested that Britain should press strongly for a compromise that only the old walled city of Jerusalem should be turned into an international enclave.

The Arab inhabitants would be moved from dirty and over-crowded slums to a new modern suburb built with international financial aid, the "Tribune" said.

The Conservative weekly "Spectator" wrote that it was difficult to believe that the United Nations could allow the challenge of the Israeli Government to Jerusalem to go unchallenged.

The Trusteeship Council would pay attention to local wishes as well as to world opinion but it threats it cannot be expected to consider.

The "Spectator" added, "It will be a tragic mistake if Zionists behave as though they alone enjoyed a monopoly of religious feeling and equally tragic if they are allowed to defy the United Nations with impunity."—Reuter.

Under the agreement, too, West Germany undertakes to assume the obligations of the British, American and French High Commissioners (and before them the three Western Military Governors) incurred under previous bilateral agreements.

She also assumes full responsibility for existing or future claims against the High Commissioners in respect of these agreements.

Other Provisions

Other provisions of the agreement, similar to those between ECA and other Marshall Plan countries, include the following:

- (1) Establishment of an ECA Mission in West Germany.
- (2) Improvement of tourist trade.
- (3) Information to the public on ECA aid.

Mr. John J. McCloy, American High Commissioner who signed the pact on behalf of the United States, in a letter to the West German Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer concerning the agreement, assured the West German Government that it was not expected that the German Government would have to take over obligations exceeding a sum of 700,000,000 Deutsche-marks. If it did, he said, he would assist the Government in finding a solution to the arising situation.

Mr. McCloy further said that the U.S. Government would consider German ability to pay and other relevant factors when settlement of the claims covered by the agreement is requested.

He also assured the West German Government that the United States intended to treat the German Republic similarly to all other ECA countries in regard to different conversion rates prior to and since devaluation.

The agreement remains in force until June 30, 1953.—Reuter.

FRENCH DENIAL

Paris, December 16. A French Foreign Office spokesman today discounted reports from Hong Kong that two Chinese Nationalist leaders were about to join the Vietnamese Army as volunteers.

"The report is totally unlikely", the spokesman said. "We know that there are already 10,000 such troops in Vietnam and that more are crossing the border daily. But there is absolutely no question of incorporating them as volunteers in the French and Vietnamese forces."—Reuter.

Resistance In

Hungary Seen

Vienna, December 15. According to a pamphlet circulated by Hungarian refugees in Austria a "National Council of Hungarian Free Trade Unions" has been formed secretly somewhere in Hungary with the task of organising the struggle of the Hungarian working classes against the dictatorship of Moscow.

The Council has issued a proclamation to the peoples of the free world describing the terrorist methods by which the Communists seek to make the inhabitants into slaves of a State capitalist system.

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VYSHINSKY DAMPENS HOPE FOR EAST GERMAN ARMED FORCE

Restrictions To Save Dollars

New York, December 18. The recent Philippine import restrictions are primarily intended to conserve dollars. Mr. Patten D. Allen, Commercial Attaché of the American Embassy in Manila, told New York foreign traders today.

The restrictions have been sharply attacked by some Americans here.

Mr. Allen said the government had been forced to take action in the matter of imports because exports will take time to develop. Hence the discrepancy between imports and exports is accumulating in the present.

Besides conserving dollars, the measures are designed to further two additional objectives "which reflect the normal aspirations of a new country," Mr. Allen told the Commerce and Industry Association of New York.

One was to protect local industries, including local enterprises of foreign ownership, he said. The second was to encourage Filipino nationalists to assume a larger part in the country's import trade.

If the government had taken no action to correct the relation between incoming and outgoing dollars, the day would have come, and soon, when imports would have been reduced by the natural process of exhausted dollar reserves.

The Philippine government is determined to keep intact a reserve of dollars to pay for imported machinery and other capital goods required for the country's rehabilitation and the progress of its industries," Mr. Allen said. —Associated Press.

NEW OINTMENT FOR BURNS

Detroit, December 15. A protein ointment for burns, made from freshly killed beef, was today reported to have been used successfully on 400 patients at a children's hospital here.

The ointment, called Epithene, was developed by a Detroit physician, Dr. C. H. Chase. It has been used in clinical tests here since its discovery was reported to the medical profession about seven years ago.

Dr. C. N. Weller, of Wayne University Medical College, said that the preparation had been found excellent for treating children's burns. —Reuter.

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London, December 15. The Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky, was today reported to have told leading East German politicians that Russia would only take steps to form an East German army if an armed force was established in West Germany.

German sources claiming close contact with the Soviet Control Commission said that Mr. Vyshinsky, who is visiting Berlin on his way back to Moscow from Lake Success, had a long conference with Herr Wilhelm Pieck, President of the East German Republic, and Herr Walter Ulbricht, East German Deputy Premier. Both are veteran Moscow-trained Communists.

Mr. Vyshinsky was reported to have stressed that the East German police force must not take on too much of a military character. He said that it was not the right moment for East Germans to press for membership of the Cominform, the sources added, and no startling changes could be expected soon in Soviet-German relations.

Snow was falling when Mr. Vyshinsky and the other guests arrived at the House of Soviet Culture in the Eastern sector of Berlin to attend a reception given by the Soviet Control Commission tonight.

A large area for many blocks around the House was shut off by black-uniformed armed People's police. All pedestrians were cleared from the area an hour before the reception began.

Sixty representatives of the Western Allied High Commission came into the same room for the first time with the leaders of the Communist-dominated East German Republic, which they do not recognise, at the reception.

A senior British officer said that the Western Allies, however, were not introduced to members of the so-called East German Government.

He added that Mr. Vyshinsky was friendly and conversed on pleasant subjects with many of the representatives of the United States, France and Britain. —Reuter.

He declared that the Pakistani troops in Kashmir were aggressors and called the Azad troops rebels. He added that to ask India to withdraw her troops from Kashmir would jeopardise the security of the state.

"We promise the rebel troops there will be no resistance against them if they lay down their arms and submit to legal authority," he continued. "Once there is peace and tranquillity in the country, the question of accession to India or Pakistan will be left before the people."

Asked if the Indian troops might be persuaded to withdraw from Kashmir provided the United Nations gave sufficient guarantees against possible disturbances, the Minister replied, "We must know first of all what those guarantees are."

The Prime Minister was accompanied by Janki Zoski, chief of information of the Kashmiri government. —United Press.

ITALY'S CHARGES ON ERITREA

Rome, December 15. The Italian Foreign Minister, Count Carlo Storza, alleged today that 70 Italians had been killed in 18 months of terrorism in British-administered Eritrea, formerly part of Mussolini's Empire.

Refusing to be directly quoted, he told a press conference that he was certain the British public would act to protect the Italian colonies as soon as he learned of the horror so far hidden by the British press—commented in Eritrea.

Count Storza, who is Britain's representative to Britain, told the British press, "It is an important contract."

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David Low Quits Standard

London, December 15. David Low, one of the world's greatest political cartoonists, has resigned from Lord Beaverbrook's "Evening Standard" after 23 years.

He will telephone next spring to the "Daily Herald," the official newspaper of the Labour Party, the "Standard" announced tonight. For years Low has been given complete freedom by Mr. Ward, his leftist political views although they have often clashed with the policy of the "Evening Standard."

Time and time again he has poked fun at Lord Beaverbrook himself, and ridiculed the Canadian newspaper's most earnest campaign. The "Standard" mentioned the attitude given Miss Communist: "That freedom we will retain until he leaves." —Reuter.

Peasants In Clash With Soviet Troops

Vienna, December 16. Hungarian refugee sources quoting reports from "underground routes" said here today that Hungarian and Ukrainian peasants, helped by Russian deserters, had clashed several times with Soviet troops sent to hunt them out of the North East Carpathians.

The refugees said that increasing numbers of Hungarian and Ukrainian partisans were fleeing to the Carpathian Jura from the terrorist methods and forced expulsion of the Soviet authorities. They were said to have offered stiff resistance to Russian troops.

In the past month, there were clashes by the partisans. Armed with the latest type of Soviet automatic weapons, in which 40 men of the Red Army were killed, the partisans lost 10, it was added.

Night traffic on the Midway between Lvov in Poland and Northern Hungary was suspended after partisans blew up a tunnel. —Reuter.

British Objection To Aid Programme

London, December 15. Britain will make her full contribution to the Atlantic defence programme, with or without military aid, a Foreign Office spokesman said here tonight.

The British Ambassador in Washington was reported to have outlined the British objections to the United States terms for the supply of arms.

The spokesman refused to comment tonight on the discussions.

According to unconfirmed sources, the American conditions, which Britain is not anxious to accept, are:

1. To promise to pay for and maintain United States forces in this country. This might cost Britain more than the amount of aid, and

2. To notify the United States before sending overseas—for example, to Hong Kong, Malaya or to Arab States bound by treaty to Britain—any "substitutable" equipment that is equipment made free by the arrival here of similar American equipment.

The spokesman tonight confirmed that the amount of all Britain would receive would be small. A figure mentioned in the Atlantic Charter is \$25,000,000 compared with the programme of \$100,000,000 for the Atlantic Pact members as a whole. —Reuter.

The plane is due at Almator Airport, Cairo, tomorrow afternoon.

Hussain El Khatib, brother of the head man and Counsellor in the Egyptian Embassy here, is flying ahead to receive the body when it arrives in Egypt.

Many thousands of silent onlookers today watched the burial with full military honours of two senior Pakistani officers killed in the crash.

The bodies of the officers, Major General Mohammed Al-Kitab and Brigadier Sharif Khan, were taken through the city in a solemn procession, their cortines borne on white gun carriages and draped with the Pakistan flag. —Reuter.

Ward Threatened With Firearms By Communists

Washington, December 15. The U.S. Consul General, Mr. Angus Ward, reported today, that he and his staff at Mukden were threatened with fire arms and denied medical services by the Chinese Communists for months before they were freed.

Mr. Ward is now en route to Japan aboard an American merchant ship after being ordered out of China by the Communists.

He will be replaced by the State Department's detailed 1,500-word report on his treatment.

It is again believed that he or his aides had assaulted a former Chinese employee at the Consulate. The charges were used by the Communists to goal Mr. Ward and four staff members for a month.

Mr. Ward said in his report they were kept under stricture conditions and were subjected to verifications of his treatment.

His receipt of more than a month ago apparently applied to his release from the Communists' grip on November 20 last year. This was right after the Communists seized the manchurian city. Telephones and electric lines were cut, interrupting water supply and all lighting.

The agency said the alleged release was not effective because the Polish security police frustrated the plot.

The chief defendant, Yvonne Bassaler, secretary of the French consul in Wroclaw, was said to have started her spy work in April 1946.

Miss Bassaler collected agents in the Polish uranium-producing area, where she received information on military units, airfields, industrial establishments and communication lines, PAP said.

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Rubinstein, the PAP report said was Miss Bassaler's "chief brain" who operated under the pseudonym of "V-2," United Press.

Other instances the Consul cited included:

Not until June 8 was he permitted communication of any type with the outside world.

After they were first put under guard, it was two weeks before the Americans were allowed to move between their homes and the office. It was five weeks before the office had running water or electric lights.

The Communists took up the Americans' identity pastes. All packages carried by Americans were exhibited. The galleys refused even to permit the emptying of overflowing cesspools in American residences.

All five American members of my staff were threatened at least once with fire arms," Mr. Ward said. —Associated Press.

Body Of Delegate Goes Home

Kinshasa, December 15. The body of Shafik El Khatib, the Egyptian delegate to the Islamic Economic Conference, who was killed in Monday's Pakair Dakota crash near here, when 20 people were killed, will be flown to Cairo tomorrow in a specially chartered plane.

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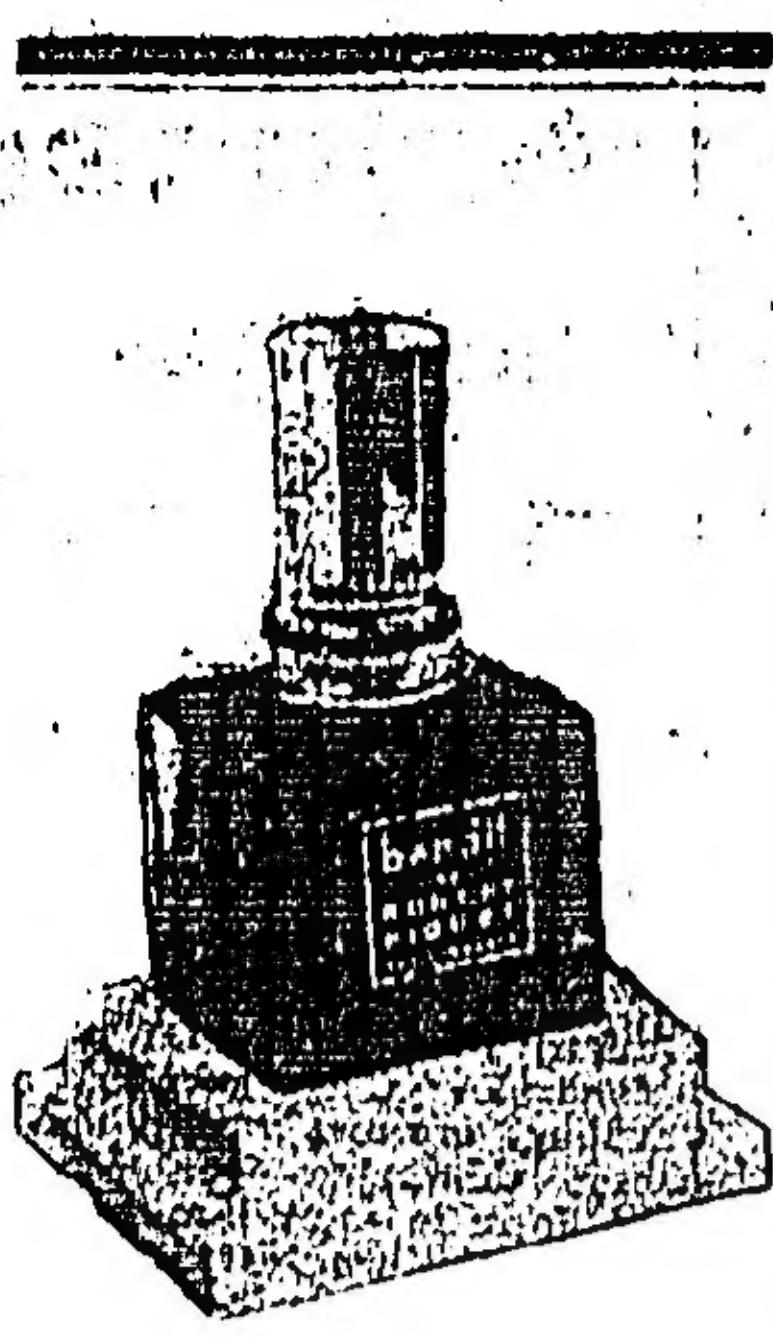
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RUSSIA BLAMED FOR AUSTRIAN TREATY FAILURE

Washington, December 15. The State Department today officially blamed the Soviet Union for the failure of the four-power negotiations in New York for an Austrian treaty.

The Department said: "The Soviet deputy had for some time prevented further progress on the grounds that bilateral Austria-Soviet agreement must first be reached in Vienna regarding the Soviet claims for supplies and services furnished largely in the early days of the occupation."

"This matter has been the subject of negotiations in Vienna since last August. The United States Government persisted in no reason why these negotiations should be permitted to delay the conclusion of a treaty which is now years overdue."

French Have Difficulty With Taxes

Paris, December 15.

The French Government has got into serious difficulties with its Parliamentary majority over the new taxes proposed in the 1950 Budget.

Deputies tonight were talking once again of a possible Government crisis, though most observers expected the Government would be able to find a compromise to shepherd it safely through the rest of the year.

The Government proposed 180 million francs of increases in new taxes next year.

The Prime Minister's Party, the Popular Republicans, are insisting on these taxes being voted, and Socialists are generally supporting them, but the other two parties represented in the Government, the Radicals and Independent Conservatives, have come out in determined opposition to new taxation in any shape or form.

They demand that the Budget be balanced by severe cuts in civil and military expenditure instead.

French May Form Fezzan Govt

Paris, December 15.

The Foreign Affairs Commission of the French National Assembly tonight invited the French Government to set up a Government in the Fezzan—the Southern part of Libya taken from the Italians by Free-French troops during the war and now under French Administration.

The motion recalled that Britain had set up a Government in Cyrenaica and referred to an article in "The Times" of November 23, which is described as inspired, saying that the British Administration in Tripolitania considered itself free to set up an autonomous government there to manage local affairs.

Passed after the Commission had heard a statement by M. Robert Schuman, the French Foreign Minister, the motion declared: "The Foreign Affairs Commission affirms once more that the only Libya is an artificial and sterile creation."

Libya would have neither the capital nor the technicians to develop its territory, the motion continued.—Reuters.

AMTORG MOVING

New York, December 15. The Russian Amtorg Trading Corporation plans to vacate the nine-storey building it occupies here for smaller quarters, apparently because of the sharp drop in trade between the United States and the Soviet Union.

U.S. exports to Russia totalled \$629,000 for the first nine months of this year and are expected to reach about \$8,000,000 for the year. Before the "gold was" exports averaged about \$100,000,000 annually.—Associated Press.

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JESSUP LEAVING U.S. ON FACT-FINDING JOURNEY

Washington, December 15.

Ambassador at Large, Philip Jessup, leaves Washington on Thursday night on route to the Far East for a two-month survey during which he will attempt to find out what the United States can do to block further spread of Communism in Asia.

Mr. Jessup will sail for Japan from San Francisco on December 20 aboard the ss President Cleveland.

Before leaving Washington, Mr. Jessup informed Congressional foreign affairs experts that his main purpose was to see how the American government can help to prevent the spread of Communism into South East Asia and Eastward into the Pacific rather than ascertain what could be done about reclaiming China.

He has no intention of visiting Communist China unless an unexpected opportunity develops.

In Seoul, Mr. Jessup will meet with American diplomatic representatives in the Far East who are gathering at Bangkok on February 13 for discussions of the Asian situation.

Facts For Achson

Following the Bangkok meeting, Mr. Jessup intends to visit Burma, India, Pakistan, and Ceylon to dig out pertinent facts for Mr. Achson.

Mr. Jessup met late on Wednesday with Chairman John Kee of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, and Republican representative Charles Eaton, of New Jersey, its ranking minority member, to give them information concerning his itinerary and objectives. Mr. Jessup's itinerary, with the exception of Taiwan, follows the U.S. military planners' concept of a strategic defense ring which must be held against the Communists in the Far East.

Taiwan was at one time included, but present thinking is that there is no feasible way of holding it against the Communists in view of reported demoralization of the Nationalist forces and alleged ill-will of the Taiwanese toward Chiang Kai-shek's government.

Early this year the Soviet Union had announced 93,000 Japanese would be repatriated by the year's end and this would complete the return of Japanese held in Siberia. SCAP's figure, now about 316,000 Japanese unaccounted for, the Allied Council for Japan, will take up the matter on December 21.—Associated Press.

INQUIRY INTO CUSTOMS OFFICIAL

Paris, December 15.

An administrative inquiry has been opened at Orly Airport and the chief of the Airport Customs Division, M. Henri Riland, has been provisionally suspended from his functions following the discovery of 37 kilograms (61.4 pounds) of gold in the suitcase of a Syrian passenger arriving from Beirut.

The passenger, called Mariani, was arrested by the Surete Nationale, (the French Scotland Yard).—Reuters.

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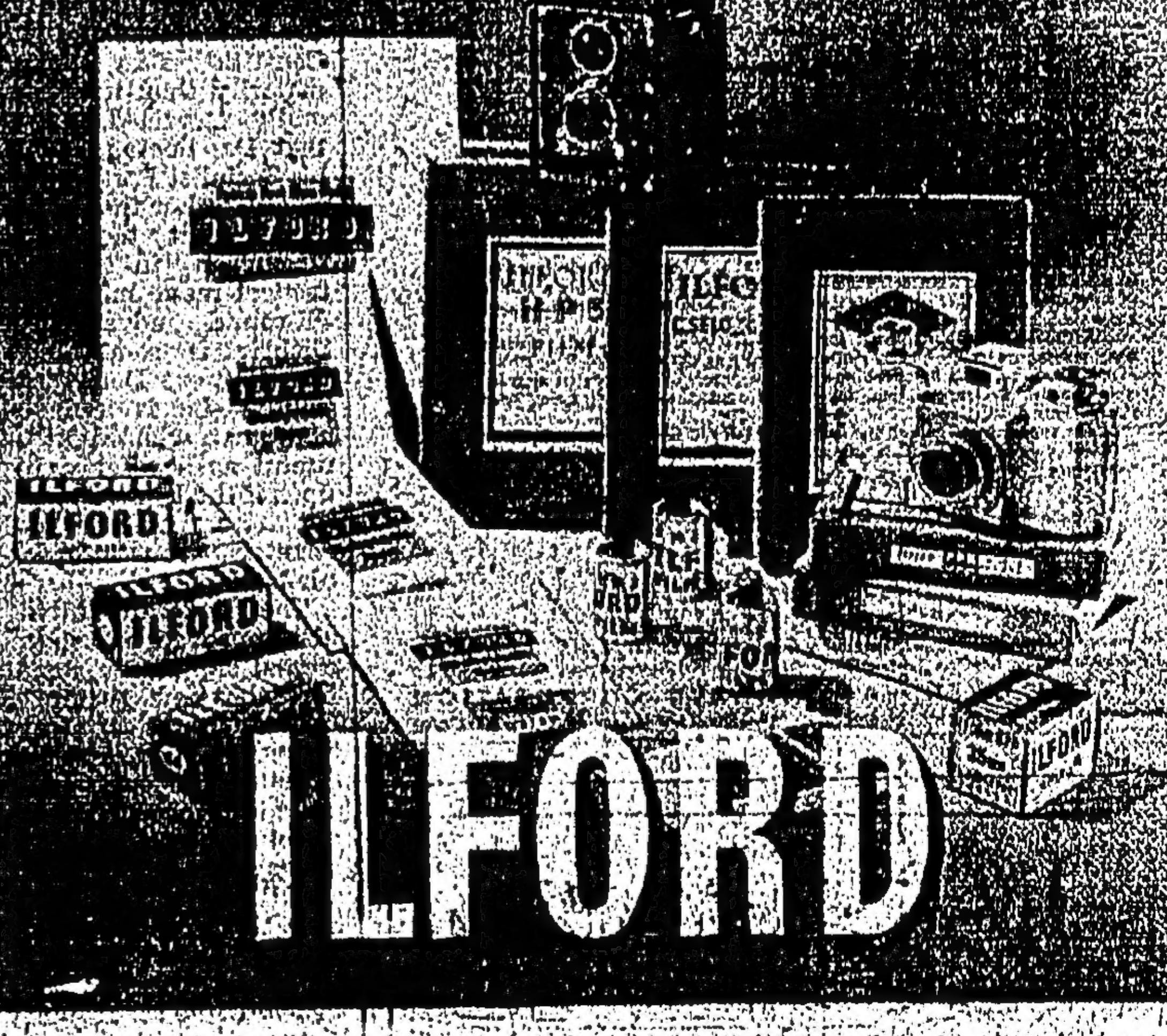
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STRAW VOTE IN BRITAIN

By "WINDRUSH"

The most striking event at the beginning of the month in British home politics was the publication by the "News Chronicle" of its Gallup Poll on the way people would vote at the General Election.

This showed that 38 per cent intended to vote Labour, 48 per cent Conservative, 13 per cent Liberal, and one per cent for other parties. The percentage voting Labour has fallen considerably, and the percentage voting Conservative has risen since the previous polls.

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SETTLEMENT IN INDONESIA

Mr. Vyshinsky is said to have arrived in Paris from New York looking very pleased but proclaiming "I am furious. No decision taken by the United Nations gave me satisfaction." He didn't do so badly, at least from the viewpoint of speechmaking. He was able to declaim against "Colonial Imperialism" to his heart's content, though even in some parts of Africa there is more freedom than exists anywhere in the satellite States or in Soviet Russia itself for that matter. But on the whole the Assembly session was unproductive for the Soviet delegation, which had even to swallow the unpleasant pill of Yugoslavia's election to the Security Council.

The United Nations could, and would, have done much more but for Mr. Vyshinsky's constant obstruction. But one admirable and historic result is the settlement in Indonesia, which the Soviet delegation and the satellite spokesmen opposed to the very end. In that settlement the United Nations Commission played a big part. It wasn't easy—far from it. Mutual mistrust between the two major parties clouded every issue. The Commission was mainly responsible for overcoming that difficulty, and now all is in a fair way to completion and confirmation.

The Republican Parliament at Jogjakarta has ratified both the agreement and the new Constitution by a far larger majority than had been generally expected. It is true that Dr. Soetan Sjahrir and his Socialist Party of 30 walked out rather than vote for or against, but there are contingencies in which this tactical move might prove of all-round advantage. Dr. Sjahrir is something more than a mere Don Quixote in politics—he is a far-sighted statesman who might be most useful as a reserve to draw upon if the leaders responsible for the agreement should encounter serious internal trouble later on.

The Federal States have also approved, and so only the formal signatures remain before the new nation of the United States of Indonesia, the new Union, and the new Constitution of Indonesia come into force. The Federal structure was to some extent imposed on the Republicans and it may well be that in time there will be modifications as the popular will flows more strongly.

Meanwhile sovereignty is to be transferred before the end of the month, and the new Indonesian Government will be created. The electoral college is scheduled to appoint the President today, and it is taken almost for granted that the choice will fall upon Dr. Soekarno. The President, in turn, will choose three Cabinet members and they will select three others, after which the heads of Ministries will be appointed and the Senate and Lower House will be created.

The work of taking over authority from the Dutch began some time ago. The Federalists have played a useful role since the Republicans became convinced that the

This does not mean that the Conservatives are in. In private conversation the Conservatives are not nearly as optimistic as they appear in public. Gallup Polls have been unreliable in the past. They were wrong over the Truman election (though not far out as is sometimes supposed). But the method of taking these polls has improved. In the recent Senatorial Election in New York the straw vote gave a prediction which proved very accurate.

Why should the mass of the people vote Conservative and against Labour? Certainly the Conservative leadership in recent

months has not been inspiring. The Conservatives have been one of the most ineffective opposition parties in Parliament in the memory of the public. They have thrown away opportunity after opportunity of damaging the Government; the last was their failure over ground nuts.

Very few people feel much confidence in, or affection for, the Conservative chiefs, except for Mr. Churchill. There is widespread fear that a Conservative victory may mean unemployment of one or two million people.

A Certain Swing

Yet, that there is a certain swing away from Labour nobody can doubt. A very large number of people have lost confidence in the Government since devaluation. It may be that any Government in Great Britain at that time would have been forced to devalue. But the Labour Government played its hand in the worst possible way. It shouted so loudly that it would not devalue, that when devaluation came, it could not avoid this.

The history of recent months is curiously like that of other periods in British parliamentary history when a party, which had been brought to power originally by a wave of public enthusiasm, was wearing out its last months of authority. What happens at such times is that Ministers suddenly seem to lose their grip. No leadership comes from them. Often they seem the victim of sheer bad luck as disaster after disaster rains on them. They are full of complaints. They cannot put a foot right. They seem to know in their sub-conscious mind that they are breaking up.

"Mrs. . . . made a trip to Singa- who has been seriously ill with ulcer of the stomach to visit her husband the stomach. His condition is steadily improving."

Honest? And how are all the little proof readers?

More howlers. The chief animals of Australia are the kangaroo, boomerang and peregrillo. Sound is a rapid series of oscillations.

Achilles was the boy whose mother dipped him in the River Styx until he was intolerable. In America people are put to death by execution.

Matrimony is a place where souls suffer for a time on account of their sins.

Double dealing is when you buy something wholesale to sell retail.

The last letter in the English alphabet is yours truly.

Concurrently with the House of Lords demand for an independent inquiry into the East African groundnut scheme, Mr. Strachey is on his way to Kongwa. I am told, however, that he will be unable to put the whole thing in a nutshell.

Regarding this invalid cheque case, I am reminded that my own bank account is in a pretty delicate state at the moment.

Myrtle was wearing a really daring strapless evening gown last night when her host approached her a man. "This is Professor Benz, authority on structural engineering. He wants to ask you something."

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HOPES OF ELECTRIC CURRENT RESTORATION DIMMED

London Wrangle Over Terms To End Strike UNION STATEMENT

London, December 15. Hopes of a full restoration of electric current tonight faded as Cabinet Ministers, chiefs of Britain's nationalised electricity industry, trade union leaders and unofficial strikers were this evening caught up in a wrangle over the terms on which the strike should end.

The 2,600 men who stopped work at the beginning of the week, bringing widespread blackout to parts of Southern England voted today to resume work pending further negotiations on their claim for a special "heat and dirt" bonus.

At Barking—biggest power station in Europe—the strikers went back, but at the three other stations they refused to sign a declaration that they were returning to work "unconditionally".

Creech Jones On Malay Campaign

London December 15. About 300 Malayan bandits have surrendered since the outbreak of banditry in Malaya, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, told the House of Commons today.

Most of them had given up their arms since the announcement of the current truce in September 6.

Mr. Creech Jones said that the Malayan Communist Party, an offshoot of the Chinese Communist organisation, continued to be an active influence behind the bandits in Malaya.

There was no evidence that the bandits were receiving direct material assistance from the Communist Party in China or elsewhere, he said.

Since last October, when he last made a statement, there had been further steady progress in the anti-bandit campaign, despite local setbacks, he added.

"Although the end of the emergency cannot yet be predicted, the bandit difficulties are increasing daily and the fear of being shot by their own leaders is, in many cases, making it difficult for larger numbers to surrender," he said.

Mr. Creech Jones disclosed that the casualties among civil law and the security forces in Malaya since the start of operations against the bandits were approximately 300 killed, 753 wounded and 218 missing. This was up to December 8.

Army casualties included in these figures were 100 killed and 162 wounded. Fifty-one killed and 78 wounded were British—Reuter.

POPE AUTHORISES MIDNIGHT MASS

Vatican City, December 15. The Pope has authorised the celebration of Midnight Mass on New Year's Eve throughout the world in honour of the Catholic Church's 25th Holy Year. It was announced here today.

As a rule, Midnight Mass is celebrated only on Christmas Eve. The announcement issued by Cardinal Aloisio Masella also authorised Catholics to receive Holy Communion at the New Year's Midnight Mass.

Rome officials said today that about 8,000 priests will be re-

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Search For Survivors

Miami, Florida. December 15. Aircraft and ships today searched for the burning bulk of the 921-ton Dutch motor vessel Dordt, shattered by an explosion off Miami, but she was believed to have sunk during the night, carrying with her 10 of the 11 victims of the explosion.

Thirteen survivors are safe, eight are in a Miami hospital and five are on board a rescue ship, the oil tanker Williamsburg, bound for Philadelphia.

Those brought to Miami were taken from a lifeboat 300 miles off the Florida coast by the tanker Sparrow's Point.—Reuter.

Recognition Issue And Hong Kong

London, December 15. The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, attended a cabinet meeting at 10, Downing Street on Thursday, when the ministers reportedly considered his recommendation that recognition should be given to the Chinese Communist government before the end of the year.

Informed sources said that the factors connected with recognition, which is still in an impudent stage, included: firstly, the question of Hong Kong.

The Foreign Office has noted that the Chinese Communists made no mention of the Crown Colony in their declared intention of "liberating" all Chinese territory under foreign rule, although they have mentioned Tibet.

It remains to be seen whether the formal terms of recognition—mutual respect for sovereignty and territory—will be applied to Hong Kong by the Communist regime.

Secondly, the situation regarding Taiwan: Mr. Bevin has made clear the British government's contention that Taiwan is technically Japanese territory until the peace treaty with Japan is signed.

If the Chinese Communists should attack the island after recognition by the British government, the technicalities arise whether Britain could continue recognising a belligerent government.

Thirdly, the question of Britain's treaty relations with Burma. As in the case of Tibet, Britain is under no obligation, but if asked by Burma for military aid for defence purposes, the Anglo-Burmese treaty would make it hard for Britain to refuse if Burma was invaded from the North.—United Press.

Buenos Aires, December 15. Argentina is bidding for world tourism by granting preferential customs treatment to visitors. A new Government decree permits tourists to bring in motorcars tax free and export permits are waived on souvenir purchases of national manufacture.—Associated Press.

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The doll is symbol of an old Antwerp custom practised 500 years ago. Unfaithful husbands were taken by their friends and tossed in a blanket. The custom was stopped by the Church as there were too many accidents.

As a result, a doll was tossed in the blanket instead. This had the effect of publicly announcing that "Monsieur so and so" had been unfaithful to his wife.

The police were today still searching for the "dummy" husband.—Reuter.

She Can Pick Her Husband

Gettysburg, South Dakota, December 15. Use Derinlowska, aged 23, of Hamburg, Germany, can have her pick from some 59 prospective husbands in the Midwest of the United States.

She wrote a letter recently to the Mayor of Gettysburg, Mr. Walter Sundergaard, saying that she was lonely and wanted a good American husband.

The Mayor showed the letter to some reporters.

Answering letters are now still arriving daily although the Mayor is long since unsworn running a "lonely hearts" agency.

One 36-year-old Iowa farmer drove 380 miles to get first-hand information about Use from the Mayor.

The man said his mother prompted the trip by suggesting his should pick out a girl for a wife.

Lacking a stenographer, the Mayor said that he was bundling up the letters as they arrived and forwarding them to Use for personal attention.—Reuter.

B-29 Crashes, Kills Five Instantly

Roswell, New Mexico, December 15. A B-29 Air Force bomber, crashed and burned near Walker Air Force Base here tonight, killing five men instantly. Nine other members of the crew miraculously escaped death, although three were in critical condition and one was seriously hurt. The others suffered only minor injuries.

Captain A. Pyatt, Walker Base public information officer, credits the quick work of the Air police and Base firefighters with saving the nine survivors.

"They got to the scene in a matter of minutes," he said. "It was a marvellous rescue job and miraculous that all of the men weren't killed."

The big plane was on a routine training flight and was returning to Walker Base at 5.15 p.m. MST when it suddenly plunged to earth two miles from the base. Equipment sped to the scene from the base and from nearby Roswell.

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Gov't Silent On Report Britain Has Atom Bomb

London, December 15. British Government officials threw up a quick screen today against questions on a London newspaper report that a British atomic weapon would not be tried out in Pacific tests as American super-bombs.

"There has never been an official statement that Britain already had an atomic weapon to test and we cannot comment one way or another about it," a Ministry of Supply spokesman said.

Nothing has been disclosed officially of what progress Britain has made towards the development or actual production of an atom bomb although several atomic energy establishments for research or the manufacture of plutonium have been built or are under construction.

Following recent American-British-Canadian atomic talks in Washington, participants said that Britain had the knowledge necessary for atom bomb production but disclosed that it had been suggested that Britain could use the United States as an "atomic arsenal" instead of building its own elaborate and expensive bomb factory.

Whatever Britain has to offer in the atomic world now would be guided on decisions taken by their representatives with the United States and Canada about the exact form and extent of collaboration.

Entwistle afloat in the Pacific Ocean is the American proving ground for atom bombs. British scientists attended the last American atom bomb tests there.

British scientists are equally concerned with long-range weapon tests held secretly at the carefully guarded Woomera rocket range in Australia.

Reports recently suggested that some new experiments were contemplated there but nothing has been officially disclosed.—Reuter.

Students 'Declare War'

Antwerp, December 16. Students at nearby Malines "declared war" today on students here because about 100 students from Antwerp yesterday stormed Malines' muscum and stole a 400-year-old doll, the "Opwinjoorke".

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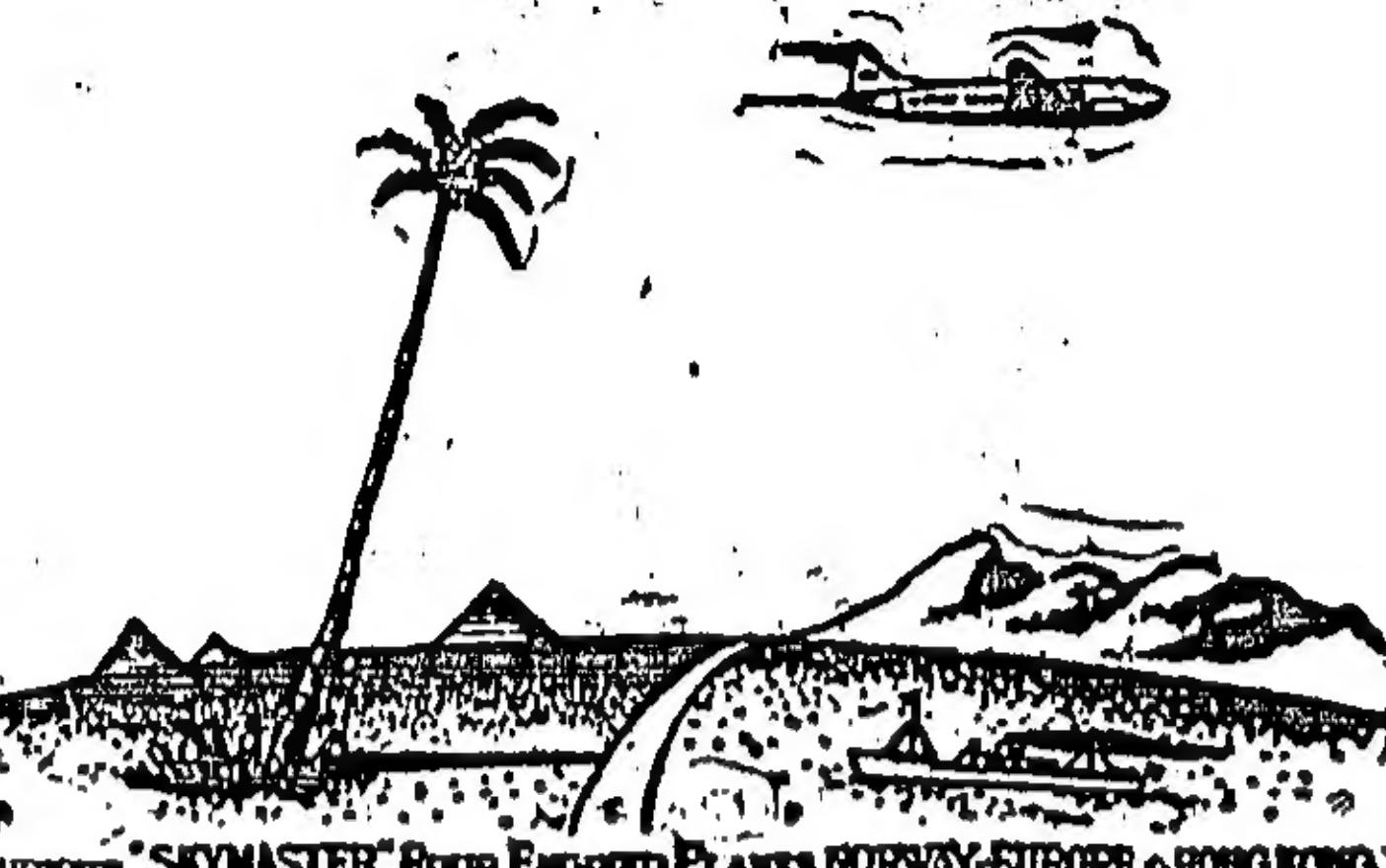
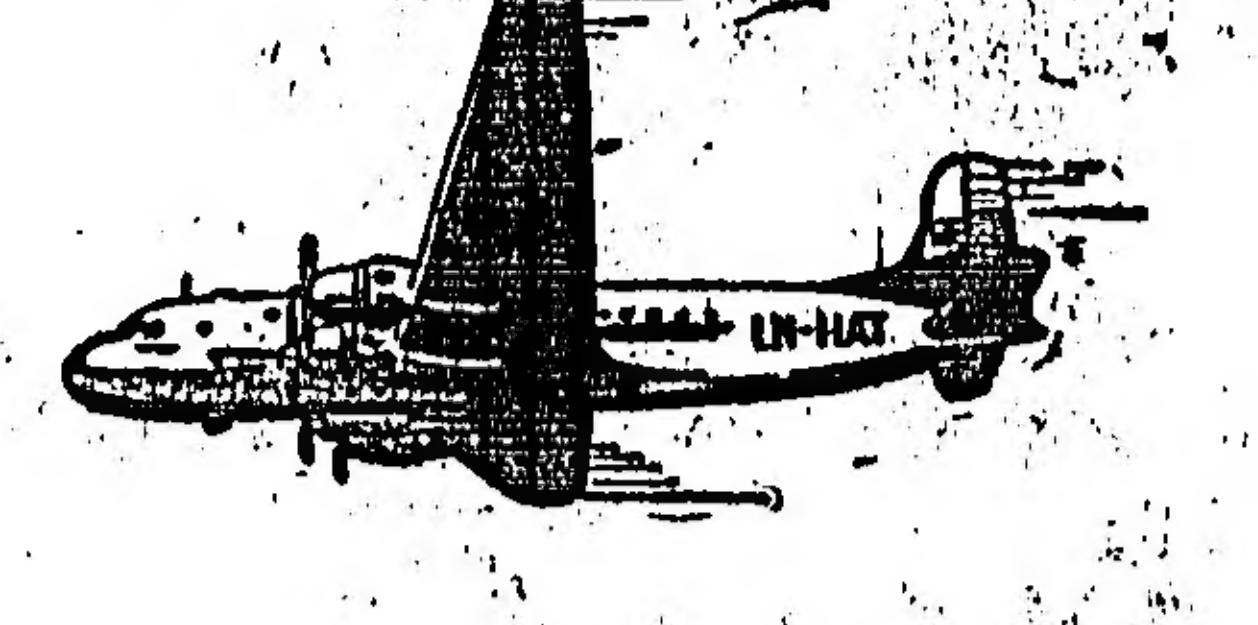
HE HAS HAD ENOUGH OF NO. 16

Cobra Rapids, Iowa, December 15.

Mr. J. F. Williams, aged 87, often called Iowa's "most married man," has filed suit for a divorce from his wife, No. 16. In his position filed here today, he said the former Mrs. Louise Parker of Cleveland, Ohio, who became Mrs. Williams in 1948 after a postal romance, had left him.

Mr. Williams said that her parting words were: "I would not live with you in paradise." Mr. Williams merrily merrily for the first time in 1904 and remained wed to the same wife for 24 years. His other marriages were relatively brief.—Reuter.

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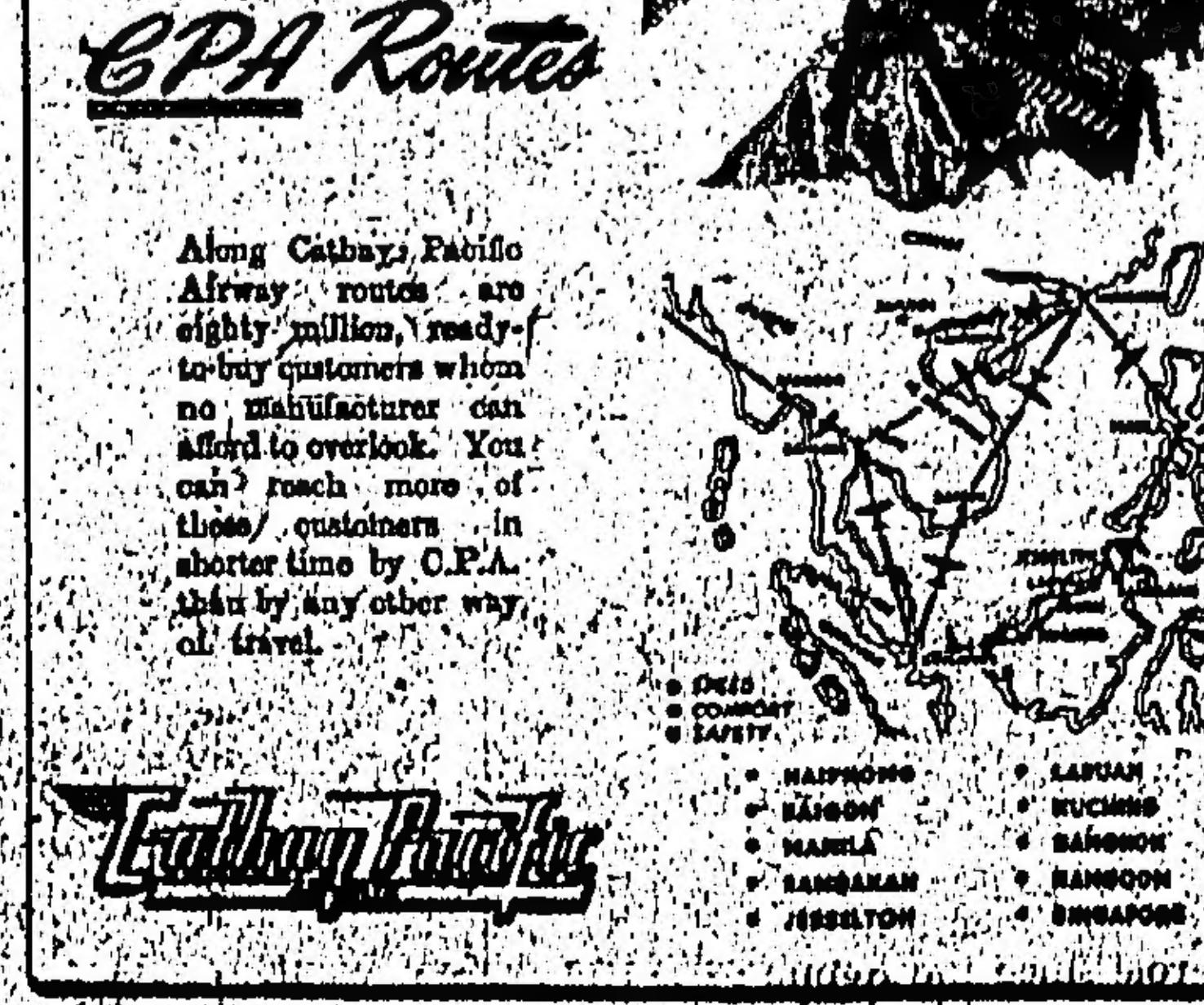
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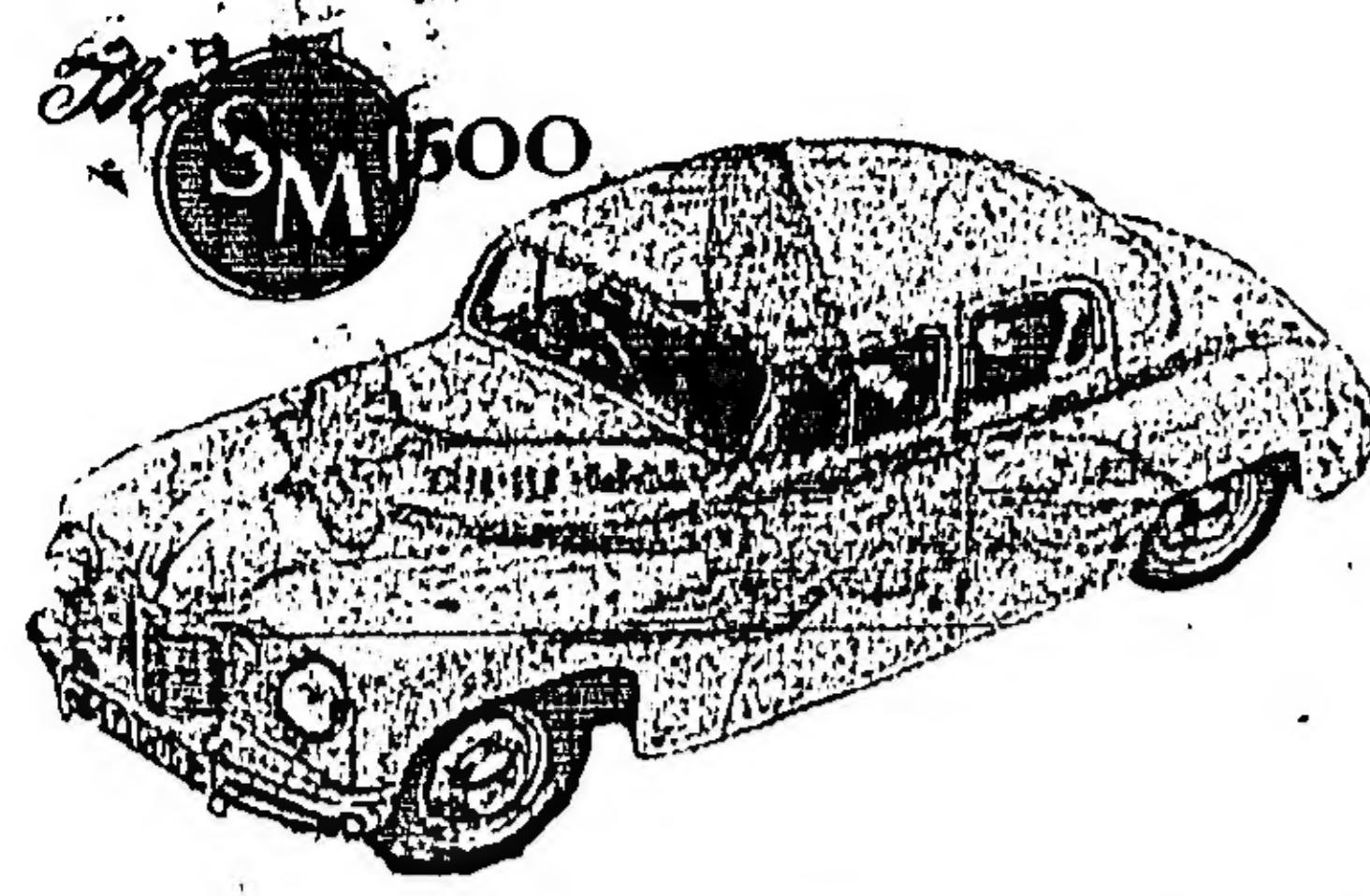
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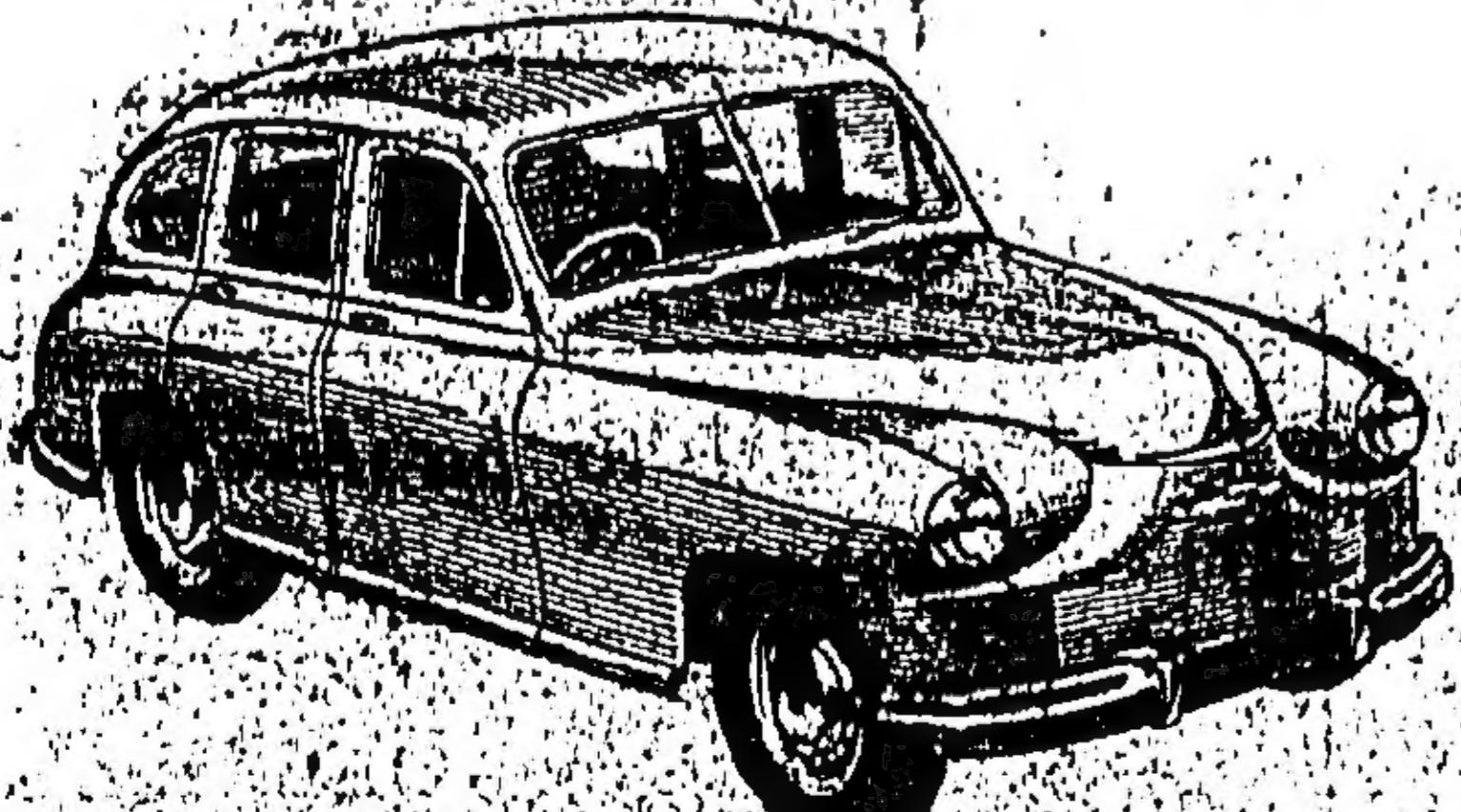
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CAR IS THE RIGHT THINGNew Caltex
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Station Opens

A new Caltex service station, operated by the China International Motors, agents for Buick and Vauxhall cars, has been opened at the intersection of Nathan and Salisbury Roads.

The new station was formally opened on Friday, when Mr. I. B. Trevor, General Manager of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, drove up his car to the pump for the first "fill."

Also present at the opening were Mr. Edward Eu, Managing Director of China International Motors, Mrs. Eu, Mr. N. Buerghi, Manager of China International Motors, Mr. D. H. Rowsome, District Manager of the Texaco (China) Company, and others.

The station, which is ideally located, is expected to prove of great benefit to motorists in Kowloon's shopping district.

HKAA Car Park
In Jordan Road

The Hong Kong Automobile Association, in an effort to increase its services rendered to the motoring public, now maintains a patrol and car cleaning service at the Kowloon terminus of the Yau Ma Tei vehicular ferry at Jordan Road.

This new service has proved to be a great success, and many Kowloon motorists are availing themselves of the service, preferring to travel in the comparative comfort of the Yau Ma Tei ferry rather than in the over-crowded Star ferries.

No announcement in recent years has been awaited with such interest as that of the Holden car manufactured in Australia by General Motors-Holden.

A description appeared in "The Autocar" of December 3, 1948. Predictions varied from a large woolly full-powered type to something akin to an English Ten, but a commendable balance has been struck in producing a car that suits most Australian requirements.

The Holden is a powerful, economical car of good appearance and grace.

The Australian representative of "The Autocar" was recently given an opportunity of testing one of these cars during a trip of 100 miles from Sydney. The greater part of the road covered was of good surface, with short distance of loose corrugated gravel.

There are two outstanding features about the Holden. The first is its seating capacity. Many of these cars are now to be seen on Australian roads and from the exterior appearance one would be justified in classing them as small family cars, but open one of the four doors and it will at once be seen that six not-too-large people can be seated in comfort. The Holden's compact appearance belies its considerable body space.

Good m.p.g.

The other surprising feature about the Holden is the excellent fuel consumption. During the test run a figure of a little more than 32 m.p.g. was obtained. The kerb weight of the car is 19 cwt 3 gr., and the engine is rated at 21.6 h.p. Power-to-weight ratio of 1.08 rated horse-power per cwt (or 1.03 lb per c.c.) is largely responsible for the quality of live-lines noticeable in the car and for its remarkable fuel consumption.

The source of power is a conventional valve-in-head six-cylinder engine of 2.17-litre capacity, inherently balanced and rubber mounted, giving a marked absence of vibration. A down-draught Stromberg carburettor with air cleaner is fed by an AC booster-type fuel pump; manifold heat is automatically controlled.

The 8in dry-plate clutch is cushion-centred and gave a very pleasing demonstration of smooth engagement. The three-speed gear box, with synchromesh on top and second, controlled from the steering column, is silent.

In accordance with modern trends the body and chassis are of integral construction. Rubber seals line the door flanges and effectively exclude dust. Wide doors and a low floor level give easy of entry. All doors can be locked from inside and the passenger's front door unlocks from outside. Inside handles lift to open.

Safety glass is fitted to all windows and the V windscreen, also the curved glass rear window. In addition to the wind-up windows on the four doors triangular glass panels are fitted. The two in front pivot for ventilation.

Front Seating

Front seating is almost as wide as at the rear, and the one-piece front seat is adjustable. The seats are well sprung with interlocked steel springs and are upholstered in leather.

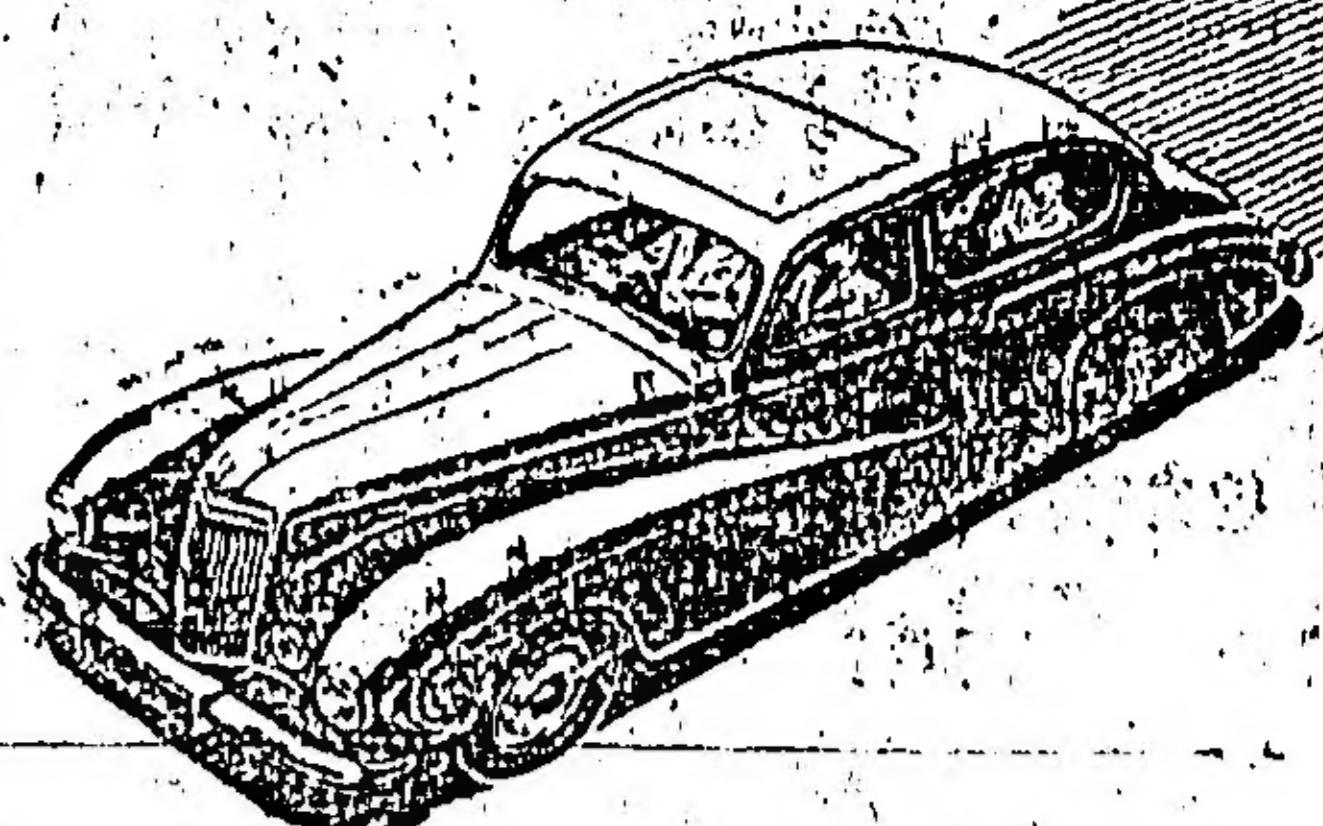
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U.S. DELEGATE REJECTS RUSSIAN DEMAND IN F.E. COMMISSION

Former Red Testifies In Trial

San Francisco, December 15. A former Communist now working for the "Miami Daily News," testified today that Harry Bridges was elected to the Communist Party's National Committee in 1936 and 1937 amid loud applause from the floor of both New York convention.

The new witness in the perjury conspiracy trial of Bridges and two co-defendants of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union was Paul Crouch, aged 40, native of California, who admitted serving 17 years in the Red Party which he quit in 1942.

He was called by the prosecution to bolster the government's contention that Bridges, Harry Schmidt and J. R. Robertson lie when they testified at Bridges' naturalization hearing in 1947 that Bridges had never been a Communist.

Witness said that loud applause broke out on the floor of the convention each time in 1936 and 1937 that Bridges' election was announced under the name of "Bust." He said he saw Bridges at a committee meeting in 1936, when a new Party Political Bureau was elected.

The government called Joseph Donahue, 40, then a member of the American Communist Party, but he under the auspices of organizations of which the Anglo-American People did not approve.

No Comment

FEC officials themselves declined to comment. However, official report of the meeting said the United States considered that it had given a complete and adequate answer to the Soviet charge and considered the matter closed.

Sources said the Mr. Basu and his adviser at the meeting listened to the United States statement and made no effort to answer it at the time. While this controversy is not carried on the FEC agenda as one of the major items, it has a bearing on one of the principal subjects under discussion.

That is the American proposal that the Japanese be permitted to participate in international affairs even before a peace treaty is signed. The United States has proposed that the Japanese be permitted to attend more international meetings, send trade representatives abroad with semi-Consular status and, in general, assume more international functions.

This resolution has encountered resistance from China and the Philippines and some others, but FEC sources reported there were indications that some compromise might be affected within the not-too-distant future.

The Russian attitude during the past fortnight, however, indicated that the Soviet might veto any resolution which did not incorporate that Japan would be sent to meetings of the WFTU and other organizations which they favour.—United Press.

DUKE OF PARMELLA LEAVES LONDON

The Duke of Parmella, Acting Portuguese Ambassador in London, who leaves for home by sea tomorrow, said in a statement tonight that he had absolute faith in the work of Britain.

He expressed his regret at leaving Britain and said that his friendship and admiration for that country had only increased during the years of war and peace.

October shipments were valued at \$10,110,172, compared with \$7,891,000 in September and \$10,221,000 in October last year.

For the first 10 months of 1949, exports of rubber and rubber products totalled \$99,597,000, 12.2 per cent below the corresponding period of 1948.—Associated Press.

SOCIALIST VIEW ON VIETMINH

Paris, December 15. Dr. Leon Soustelle, a member of the French Socialist Party, 1947, when today called for the French recognition of Dr. Ho Chi Minh, the leader of the Vietnamese, Indo-Chinese autonomy movement.

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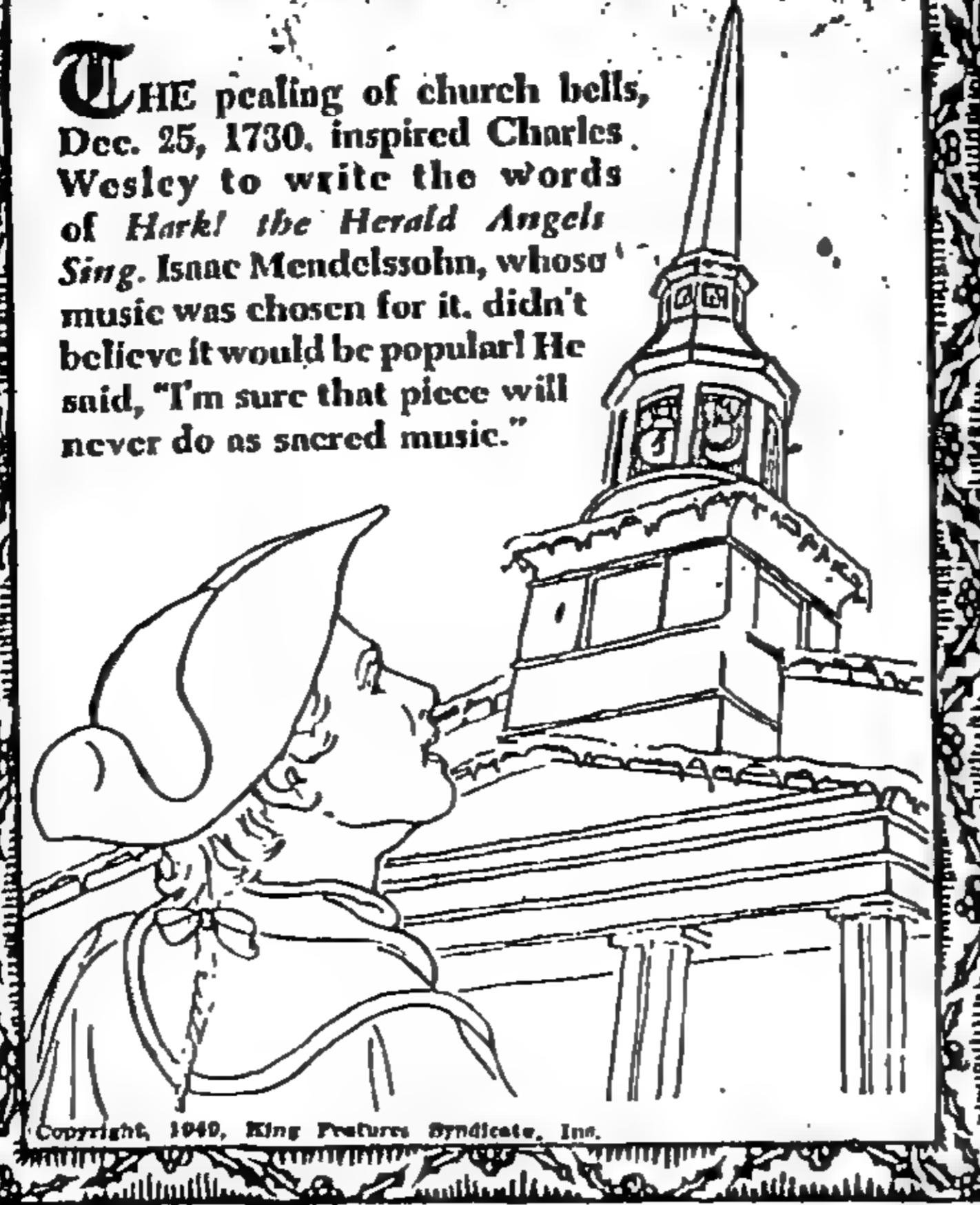
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Good Chance For Growth Of Jap Democracy

Washington, December 15. Lieutenant-Colonel D.R. Nugent, chief of the Civil Information and Education Division of Allied Headquarters in Tokyo, said today he believed there was a good chance that democracy would continue to grow in Japan even after the Occupation ends because most of the major reforms since the surrender have been evolved by the Japanese rather than imposed by their conquerors.

Colonel Nugent, in a United Press interview, said he thought this was especially true in the educational field. He paid high tribute to the work of the Japanese Educational Reform Council and other Japanese who worked on educational reform.

He said the fact that the Japanese worked out most of the reforms themselves gave them a vested interest in continuation of democratic methods and expansion of democratic procedures. He warned, however, that Americans must not expect to find Japanese democracy evolving as an exact replica of American democracy.

He said: "Democracy must be adopted to local situations and that is what the Japanese themselves are doing."

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SCIENTIST PREDICTS

SUPER-ATOM BOMBS IN THE NEXT WAR

Washington, December 15.

Dr. Harold C. Urey said today that the third world war will possibly be fought with atomic bombs 1,000 times more powerful than the present models.

This is inevitable unless the democratic nations form a "super-government" within five years, Dr. Urey said.

The noted atomic scientist here to address the meeting of the Atlantic Union Committee, said flatly that world control of the atom bomb is impossible.

Colonel Nugent has been here attending the Occupied Areas Re-orientation conference of the American Council on Education. Admitting the Japanese still had a long way to go before they could be considered a thoroughly democratic country, Colonel Nugent nevertheless opined they have been given a sufficient start on the right track and a sufficient desire to carry on so that the process would continue even after the Occupation ends.

Colonel Nugent is to leave Washington today by air for San Francisco where he will spend about one day before taking off on Friday for Tokyo via Honolulu. While in San Francisco, he intends to inspect the newly created reception and distribution centre set up by SCAP to take care of the influx of Japanese students and leaders who will come to the United States for study and observation.

Colonel Nugent was accompanied to the United States by Shigeru Nomura, president of Tokyo University. Nomura will not return with Colonel Nugent but remains here a while longer for visits to various educational institutions.—United Press.

Dr. Urey and the Atlantic Union Committee are supporting Congressional resolutions calling on the United States to sponsor a convention of the Western democracies to explore the feasibility of a "Free Federal Union".

This "super-government" would handle military and foreign affairs and international trade matters affecting all member states.

10-Year-War

Dr. Urey said that Democratic Senator Walter George has given an assurance that hearings will be held in January on the federal convention introduced in the last session by Democratic Senator Estes Kefauver and endorsed by some 20 other senators.

The man who helped to develop the American atomic bomb doubts that the American people are willing at present to underwrite a federal constitution governing the Atlantic states.

But, he asserted, they are in favour of exploring the idea.

Urey said that his organization had given itself 5 years in which to forestall a third world war.

Another war will break out only when both Russia and the United States think they have

Americans May Accept More Taxes

Key West, December 15. William Boyle, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, arrived here today from a conference with President Truman and said he believed the people would accept higher taxes if the President considered them necessary.

The President himself talked with newsmen earlier in the day about taxes. He said government experts were studying the possible repeal of the excise tax, but had not yet reached a decision. As for basic changes in the overall Federal tax structure, the President told reporters to wait for his January budget message.

Mr. Boyle came here to discuss what he called general political matters with the President this afternoon. He will return to Miami late today and will speak there at a Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner.

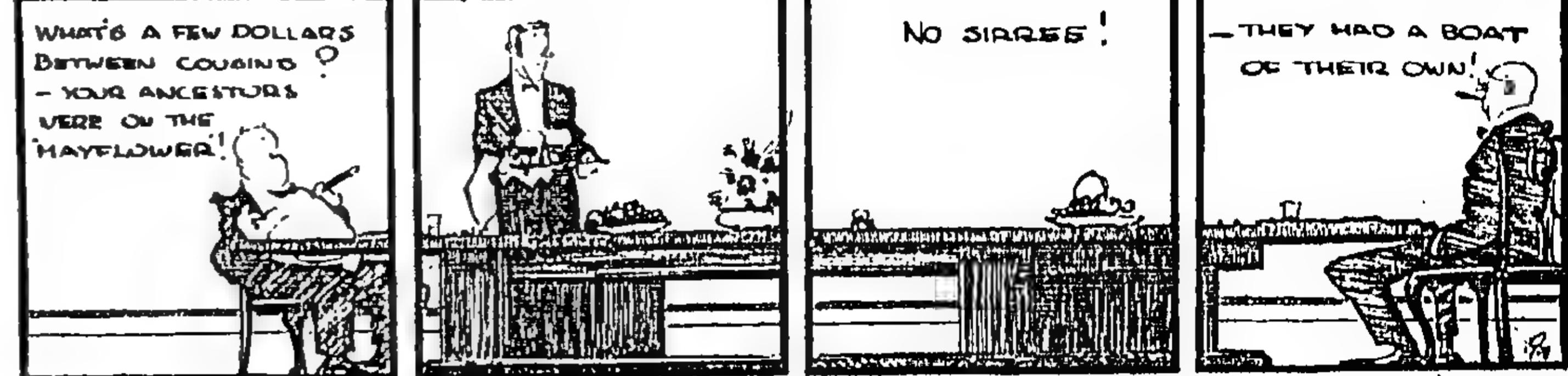
Mr. Boyle said he thought President Truman's position with the people of the nation was stronger today even than it was in November 1948, when he defeated Thomas Dewey for the Presidency.—United Press.

Inadequate supplies of atomic bombs, he said.

He predicted that such a war would last 10 years.—United Press.

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1.15—Weather Report and Announcements.

1.25—Interlude.

1.30—Orchestral Selections by the New Concert Orchestra.

2.00—"Records in a Month"—Presented by Carl Tiss and Brian Pre (BBC).

2.20—"Forced Choice"—Presented by John Cross (Studio).

2.30—"News" (Relay).

3.10—"Hospital Request Hour"—Presented by Jackie Palmer (Studio).

4.00—"Two's Company".

4.30—"Short Story"—Adapted for Broadcast and Read by Peter Moore (Studio).

4.45—"Radio Ballroom"—Presented by Peter Moore and Martin Anderson (Studio).

5.15—"Time of the Bill".

5.30—"Music Binding in the March".

6.00—"Hong Kong Calling" Programme.

6.15—"Record Number".

6.30—"Music Requests". Linda Carter (Studio).

7.00—"World News and News Analysis" (London Relay).

7.15—"Saturday Round-Up" (Studio).

7.30—"Variety Broadcast" from the Empire Theatre, London (BBC).

8.00—"From the Editorials" (London Relay).

8.15—"Sports Results".

8.15—"Report by John Hammond (Editor and Head News) (Studio).

8.30—"Time for Music" (BBC). Michael Light (Orchestra) conducted by Michael Light (BBC).

9.00—"Just the Lady". A Detective Story by Lester Powell (Script) and "After You've Gone" (BBC).

9.30—"Echoes from the Theatre".

10.00—"Radio News Real" (London Relay).

10.15—"Weather Report".

10.15—"Cinema and Dance Music".

10.30—"World Report, World and Home News from Britain" (Recorded London Relay). God Save the King Close Down.

Reinforcements Rushed To Fight Moros

Manila, December 16.

Constabulary casualties in yesterday's encounter with a group of Moro outlaws on Jolo Island were reduced to 14 dead and eight wounded as stragglers returned during the night, headquarters here said.

The Constabulary today rushed reinforcements to the area near the city and mountain of Luuk on the Eastern end of Jolo, where fighting with an estimated 1,000 Moro tribesmen under Chief Manlon has been in progress for more than a week.

These details were contained in reports to Constabulary headquarters here.

A patrol of two officers and 12 enlisted men were scouting the mountain side yesterday afternoon when an overpowering force of Moros opened heavy rifle and automatic weapons fire from an ambush.

A large number of Moros poured a murderous hail of bullets from the tops of palms and other trees. Within a short time the entire patrol was wiped out. The bodies have not been recovered.

First reports listed a third officer with the patrol, it was later ascertained he was on another mission and escaped.

A few kilometres away, another larger patrol was attacked in similar fashion an hour later. The second patrol was in a better location for defence but was pinned to the ground until after darkness.

Eight Wounded

Eight enlisted men of the second patrol were wounded in the early stages of the fight. The wounded men came out first and reported their companions missing and presumably dead. However, during the night all the missing men, including a major and a lieutenant, slipped back through the jungles to the nearest base, according to the reports to the Constabulary headquarters here.

Reports from Manila newspaper correspondents on Jolo placed Constabulary casualties much higher.

Chau, continuing, said that on arrival at the godown in Canton Road, he saw rice being loaded to his truck. Then went to telephone his garage for the two additional trucks to be engaged.

Hu Kin-cheong, accountant of the Sung Hung Rice Mill, stated that fourth defendant, Cheung Lun, came into his mill and asked for 40 bags of rice to be stored there. Cheung said that previous to that occasion, Cheung had been seen by him in the mill chattering with his folks.

Hearing was adjourned at this stage to 9.30 a.m. on December 19.

The daily railbus from Kowloon-Canton Railway, British Section, announced yesterday that beginning today an evening train from Kowloon to Sheung Shui will be introduced in place of the present railbus.

This train will leave Kowloon daily at 6.20 p.m. calling at all stations and arriving Sheung Shui 9.10 p.m.

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The last and most terrible massacre occurred at midnight on November 27 three days before the city fell.

Some 35 top political prisoners were killed first. Then, the Kuomintang went from cell to cell and killed the more than 200 prisoners with automatic guns. After this was done, the Kuomintang burned the prison with all the corpses inside. At another spot, 32 were shot to death on the same night.

The broadcast did not explain where or how the rest of the "more than 500" were killed.

It said others killed were Hwang Hsien Sheng, former subordinate of Chang Hsueh Liang and once Kuomintang army commander, Chou Chun Shih, noted scientist and former President of Tung Chi University in Shanghai; Wang Pei Yu, former Chunking publisher, and many students, journalists and writers as well as Communist Party members.

CANADIAN CABINET MINISTERS TO VISIT JAPAN

Tokyo: December 18. Two Canadian Cabinet ministers will arrive in Tokyo on January 23 with group of other high-ranking officials for a three-day visit.

Mr. E. H. Norman, head of the Canadian mission in Japan, announced today.

The ministers are Mr. L. B. Pearson, Minister for External Affairs, and Mr. R. Mayhew, Minister of Fisheries.

The party will fly to Japan en route home from Colombo at the conclusion of the Commonwealth conference in January.

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

New York Stock Exchange

New York, December 16.
Oil stocks greased the way
for a late rally in the stock
market today. Last hour de-
mand lifted many issues
from the minus to the plus
side and the net result was a
small margin of gains over
losses. Oil surged far ahead
of the balance of the market,
with gains ranging as high
as 7 points.

Dealers linked the interest in
oil to reports of a sharp decline
in visible supply of heating oils.
Transfers were 2,070,000 shares.

Among the gainers were
Superior Oil of Calif., American
Petroleum, Skelly Oil, Richfield
Oil, Seaboard Oil, Plymouth Oil,
Paramount, Peoples, Warner
Brothers, Loew's, Twentieth Cen-
tury, Fox, Peoples, Rexall
Drug, and Curtis Wright.

Only one issue among the 15
most active stocks finished lower.

Benjamin Consolidated Mining
dropped 1% to 15.

Stupiders on the general list
included Santa Fe, Phelps Dodge
Dow Jones averages: Stocks
70.81, 20. Industrials 188.05; 15
Bonds 51.55, 10 Utilities 40.70.

Closing quotations:

Alpine Express 22
Alaska Juneau 31 1/2

American Can 102

— Smelting 55 1/2

— Telephone 146 1/2

— Tobacco 74 1/2

— Waterworks 73 1/2

Ancundia Copper 28 1/2

Aviation Corp 51 1/2

Baldwin Locomotive 10 1/2

Barnard 54 1/2

Bendix Aviation 37 1/2

Bethlehem Steel 32 1/2

Boeing Aircraft 23 1/2

Borden Co. 48 1/2

Canadian Pacific 14 1/2

J. L. Case 40 1/2

Chrysler 64 1/2

Colgate 41 1/2

Commercial Solvents 19 1/2

Cominco 10 1/2

DuPont 60 1/2

Eastman Kodak 47 1/2

General Electric 41

— Motor 70

Goodrich 60 1/2

General 43 1/2

Homestead Mining 44 1/2

International Harvester 20 1/2

— Paper 68 1/2

— Tel & Tel 0 1/2

Johns Manville 47 1/2

Kennecott Copper 50 1/2

Montgomery Ward 54 1/2

National Distillers 22 1/2

Lead 37

New York Central 10 1/2

Packard Motors 8 1/2

Pan American Airways 8 1/2

Pennsylvania RR 15 1/2

Radio Corp. 12 1/2

Republic Steel 23 1/2

Reynolds Tobacco 38

Schenley 31

Sears Roebuck 43 1/2

Stell Oil 37 1/2

Southern Pacific 49 1/2

Standard Brands 21 1/2

— Oil of Calif. 60 1/2

— Oil of N. J. 70

Studebaker 24 1/2

Union Bag 27 1/2

— Carbide 44 1/2

US Rubber 37 1/2

— Steel 26 1/2

— Limes 15 1/2

Westinghouse 31 1/2

Youngstown Sheet & Tube 77 1/2

Gen. Pub. Utilities 10 1/2

Railroads Improved: Among
curb gauges were Cities Service,
Humble Oil, Lone Star Gas and
Bunker Hill Mining—Associated
Press.

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Continuing the up-grade, US
dolls yesterday reached HK\$6-
180/2 after opening at \$6.60. At
the close the rate was \$6.60.

TT touched HK\$6-180/1 at the
peak but eased off to \$6.60 at the
close. The opening rate was \$6-
180/2.

Sterling went up to HK\$10-30/2
after opening at \$10-20/2.

Australian pounds were sta-
tionary at HK\$12-50.

Plastered wood again nominal at
HK\$13-30/1 to 100.

Tickets were unchanged at HK\$-
27-100.

NEI Gulden opened at HK\$-
22-70/4 to 100 and closed at HK\$-
22-70.

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